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March 20, 1964

Mr. Franklin J. Gayles
Chairman, Research Committee
Crusade for Voters
c/o Virginia Union University
Richmond 20, Virginia

Dear Dr. Gayles:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of March 13, in which you submit your proposed budget for the special two-week registration program which is to begin on March 22, in the city of Richmond and which will involve a number of YWCA students with support from local organizations.

Dr. Tinsley Spraggins had previously inquired as to our willingness to pay the salary of Mr. James Mankins who has agreed to coordinate your efforts. The Voter Education Project has agreed to pay Mr. Mankins' salary and related expenses for the three weeks which he is to spend with your project, provided the total sum does not exceed the $450 reflected in your budget.

We think the simplest way to handle this would be for us to issue our check made payable to Mr. Mankins for such stated amounts and at such intervals as may be satisfactory to your committee and Mr. Mankins. This procedure would eliminate any financial reporting to us by your project. However, it should be understood that we would still expect copies of the reports and evaluation which you make at the conclusion of your drive. If this arrangement is not satisfactory to your committee kindly let us know.

Very truly yours,

CEB:pR. Tinsley Spraggins

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VIRGINIA UNION UNIVERSITY

THOMAS H. HENDERSON, PRESIDENT
RICHMOND 20, VIRGINIA

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March 13, 1964

Mr. Wiley Branton, Director
Voter Educator Project
Southern Region Council
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton:

As you probably know beginning on March 22, and for a two week period there will be one hundred students in Richmond, Virginia participating in a Voter Registration Program. In addition one hundred Richmond people will be involved.

Dr. Tinsley Spraggins has informed us that Mr. James Mankins is available to coordinate our efforts here in Richmond, Virginia on Voter registration, and that you would make available some funds to aid in this effort.

This project is one which is being participated in by the YWCA, the NAACP Chapter on the Campus of Virginia Union University, the Richmond Branch NAACP, and the Crusade for Voters. We are hoping by this effort to increase the number of Negro registered voters by 10,000. We hope that we will be able to use Mr. Mankins for three weeks - two weeks with the drive and the third week to make up reports and to evaluate what has been done. You would be sent these reports.

This project will be under my direction. I am Franklin J. Gayles, professor of Political Science at Virginia Union University, and Research Chairman of the Crusade for Voters

MEMBER UNITED NEGRO COLLEGE FUND

Here is a breakdown on what the expenses will be:

Leaflets (to distribute March 22-29 to let the people know what is happening)	150.00
Room rent ($687 per week)	1374.00
Local Co-ordinators	150.00
Stationary	200.00
Transportation	400.00
Mr. Mankins	450.00
Total	2724.00

We hope that you would be able to assume the full cost of Mr. Mankins expense and as much of the total expense as you possible can.

I hope that I will hear from you very soon that I can contact Mr. Mankins.

If you want to call me my home telephone No. is Mi 4-8971; the School No is El 5-2882; Ext. 54.

Sincerely,

Franklin J. Gayles

Franklin J. Gayles
Chairman, Research Committee

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P.S. The AFL has already contributed $800 toward the hotel bill of the students. There is need for additional funds for the success of this program. Do what you can.

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Mr. Gayles told WAB on 3/25/64 that we could pay Mankin in one check at the end of the project.

M E M O R A N D U M

March 31, 1964

TO: RTB
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FROM: WAB

RE: VEP 4-8

We are reserving VEP 4-8 for a grant to Crusade for Voters (Virginia).

According to the terms of this grant we are to pay the salary of the temporary director. This is a special student project which began on March 23 and will run for two weeks.

Please add to your chronological listings.

WAB:jl

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CROSS REFERENCE RE VEP 4-8:

SEE JOE L. TUCKER"S FIELD TRIP REPORT DATED 8/24/64 ON VIRGINIA.

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MEMORANDUM

April 10, 1964

TO : Mr. Wiley Branton

FROM : Jim Mankins, Field Director for Special Project

SUBJECT : Special Project - Voter Registration in Richmond, Virginia from March 23 to April 3, 1964

This report is divided into two sections. Section #1 is a report on the activities of the field workers and the results achieved. Section #2 consists of observations of the reporter.

During the two-week period described above groups of persons averaging twenty-four persons per group and composed of out-of-town students and Virginia Union University students engaged in a door-to-door voter registration campaign in selected neighborhoods throughout the city of Richmond. Each neighborhood was selected on the basis of its low registration count.

The students averaged six hours on the field per day. (6 p.m. was the daily deadline for work)

The following is an outline of the students' accomplishments.

1. They visited approximately 7,350 houses. This figure is based on the total number of houses in all areas assigned, allowing for a 1% vacancy factor

2. Of the total number of houses visited contact was made at approximately 2,950. This figure represents approximately 40 % of the total houses visited.

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3. Approximately 21% of the houses visited had more than two adults living therein.

4.. Of the total number of persons contacted approximately 500 promised to go to the registration site to register if transportation would be furnished for same. Of this number 250 were registered during the two-week period.

5. Approximately 200 persons indicated that they had registered in the past but were delinquent in poll taxes. These persons were given a Certificate of Residence to fill out and turned in by some official of the Cursade for Voters.

Section 2:

The major problem encountered during the project was that of not having a sufficient number of vehicles to transport persons to the registration site at the hour promised. Because of this condition a large number of persons were not picked up as promised. Efforts were made to reschedule as many of these persons as could be contacted again.

It can be said that the project was a successful one. The writer of this report would be inclined to agree except that it is his belief that had sufficient attention been given to the matter of transportation during the planning phase the registration figure might have doubled.

The population seems ready enough to respond to a registration drive. A concentrated follow up on the areas covered by the students and the same sort of effort in those areas not covered by them might well produce another 15,000 new registrations in the city.

April 14, 1964

Mr. James Mankins
2400 Lakeview Avenue
Richmond, Virginia
Apt. 1

Dear Mr. Mankins:

Re VEP 4-8

We enclose our check in the amount of $450.00 representing payment in full for your honorarium and expenses in connection with the work you did in coordinating the student registration program conducted recently in Richmond, Virginia.

It is our understanding that you are in the process of preparing a detailed report describing this program and the results and we would appreciate your sending this to us just as soon as you possibly can.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

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cc: Mr. F. J. Gayles

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RICHMOND, VA.

VIRGINIA UNION UNIVERSITY

THOMAS H. HENDERSON, PRESIDENT
RICHMOND 20, VIRGINIA

April 1, 1964

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Mr. Wiley A. Branton
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton:

I believe the best arrangement to take care of Mr. James Mankins' salary and related expenses would be to send the check directly to him. I believe it was agreed to pay the sum of $450. His address is

2400 Lakeview Avenue
Richmond, Virginia
Apt. 1

We have completed one week and are now well into the second. Things are encouraging. Will report in greater detail later.

Sincerely,

F. J. Gayles

F. J. Gayles

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M E M O R A N D U M January 6, 1965

TO: Wiley A. Branton
FROM: Jean Levine
RE: Final Accounting on VEP 4-8
(Crusade for Voters - Virginia)

Grant:	$450.00
Disbursements:	
Salaries	450.00

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WB

March 30, 1965

Mr. James H. Mankins, Esq.
2900 Que Street
Richmond, Virginia 23223

Dear Mr. Mankins:

In reply to your letter of March 18, to Mr. Branton, I have checked into our files and find that the $450 sent you on April 14, 1964, went through our books as a grant and not as a salary. Therefore, since there was nothing withheld for either local, state or federal taxes, no W-2 form would have been sent you.

Sincerely,

Jean Levine
Fiscal Assistant

March 22, 1965

Mr. James H. Mankins, Attorney
2900 Que Street
Richmond, Virginia 23223

RE: VEP 4-8

Dear Mr. Mankins:

Thank you for your letter received here today.

Mr. Branton is in Europe for several days, and it is not likely he will be in the office until April 4. I am turning your letter over to Mrs. Levine, our Fiscal Assistant, and you will be hearing from her shortly in regard to your inquiry.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Secretary to Mr. Branton

JAMES H. MANKINS
Attorney at Law

2900 QUE STREET
RICHMOND, VA. 23223
TELEPHONE MI 3-3372
AREA CODE 703

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March 18, 1965

Mr Wiley Branton, Director
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyte N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton:

I am in need of a W-2 form relative to the amount of money forwarded to me following the voter registration drive conducted here in Richmond last spring.

I am almost certain that your office forwarded one to me earlier, but I cannot find it.

Thank you for your kind attention to the matter.

Very truly yours,

James H. Mankins

James H. Mankins

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334 Auburn Ave., N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303
Telephone 524-1378

Southern Christian Leadership Conference

Martin Luther King Jr., *President* Ralph Abernathy, *Treasurer* Wyatt Tee Walker, *Executive Assistant*

April 1, 1964 APR 2 1964

Mr. Wiley A. Branton
Voter-Registration Project
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Wiley:

This letter is to request some additional support for the Albany Voter-Registration drive. We have maintained Willie Bolton on the staff for the drive from SCLC's budget and when Rev. Samuel Wells lost his job due to the prejury charges, we hired him as field secretary for South West Georgia. I think that Willie and Rev. Wells would do a good job if they have budget to run until May 2nd. I would think $750.00 to $1,000.00 would be adequate for the drive.

The Montgomery Improvement Association has been working in voter-registration for the past two months and they have requested $500.00 help from us. If VEP could support a drive in Montgomery, we would appreciate this. James Bevel and James Orange of our staff will be working in Montgomery with Rufus Lewis and they should be able to give him the help he needs in motivating the community toward voter-registration.

See VEP 3-24

Our original plan toward the Georgia Clinic calls for $500.00 per clinic, plus a follow-up in the counties after the clinics. We have received money for only three clinics and no funds for follow-up. We would like to allow $50.00 a week expense money to one person in each congressional district to follow-up these clinics. Several of these people are working, but we need the promised VEP assistance. Mr. Calhoun will be giving more attention to this now.

Your reports should be forth-coming from the Atlanta Project in a short while. We feel quite hopeful that the turn out in the neighborhoods will be good, but you never can tell in Atlanta.

File VEP 4-9

I will be away for two weeks but procedures should be routinized well enough that they will carry on in my absence. If there are problems, you might confer with Mrs. Edwina Smith or Jessie Hill on the Atlanta drive.

Sincerely yours,

Andrew J. Young
Program Director

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April 3, 1964

The Rev. Andrew Young
Southern Christian Leadership Conference
334 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Andy:

Re VEP 4-9

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of April 1, in which you request additional funds for the voter registration drive in Albany, Georgia. Randolph Blackwell recently made a field trip to Albany and he recommends additional funds for that program. VEP has agreed to make SCLC a grant in the amount of $1000 to extend the Albany registration program for a two-month period beginning April 1. This should enable them to carry on a good program until the May 2 registration deadline and because of the fact that we anticipate an extension of the deadline when the Georgia Legislature meets in special session on May 4, they should continue their drive right on through the month of May.

We cannot commit ourselves at this time to any further extension of the Albany program beyond May 31, but I think you know that any such consideration for an extension will be conditioned upon performance and progress reporting during the interim.

We have also approved your request for a $500 grant

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for a registration program in Montgomery, Alabama, under the sponsorship of the Montgomery Improvement Association. This program will be effective as of April 1, and we understand that it is to run for a period of one month, or for such longer time as the funds may last.

We are enclosing our check in the amount of $1500, representing payment of the $1000 grant for Albany and the $500 grant for Montgomery. The same conditions and restrictions are imposed on these grants as have been imposed on all other VEP grants and the same progress and financial reporting will be required.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

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$1500.00

INTEROFFICE REQUEST FOR PAYMENT FORM

Please pay the sum of: $1500.00

TO: Southern Christian Leadership Conference
(Name)

(Address)

(City and state)

Reason for payment: $1000.00 for work in Albany April 1-June 1,'64

$500.00 for work in Montgomery April 1-May 1'64

If departmental or special budget, specify: VEP 4-9

Payment is general operations, VEP4-9 project,

expense.

Date 4-1-64 19___

Requested by: Andy Young

Approved: _____

Administrative Secretary

April 23, 1964

Mr. Willie Bolden
600-A S. Jefferson Street
Albany, Georgia

RE: VEP 4-9

Dear Mr. Bolden:

Thank you for the report and photograph received today. This is just a reminder that the reporting requirements under the recently extended grant will be the same.

We know that the campaign by C. B. King for the Second Congressional District seat will be a motivating force for Negro registration, but we think it is important to caution you that the VEP program must remain strictly non-partisan, even in the case of a Negro candidate. You will have to take special precautions to insure that no valid charge could be made with reference to a violation of our tax-exempt status for having participated in partisan politics.

Let us know if we can be of assistance to you.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Barbara I. Whitaker
Research Assistant

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OFFICE OF THE FREEDOM ARMY
712 Dorsey Street
Montgomery, Alabama

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April 24, 1964

Dear Mrs. Whitaker:

This is to inform you that I received your letter asking for a weekly progress report on the registration results in Montgomery. Your interest is highly appreciated.

The courthouse was open for registration on April 13th. The week prior to this we dedicated our time and efforts to recruiting and canvassing all communities. Handbills, pamphlets and radio announcements were put out during this period. We compiled a list of potential voters, with the names, addresses and phone numbers of each individual, who might be interested in registering. We had what we called a telephone committee. On April 11th and 12th, the telephone committee had as its sole responsibility the job of contacting all of our potential voters by way of telephone and find out when it would be convenient for these people to go down and register.

The big day started early the morning of the 13th. Our main problem was that of transportation. We had only three cars to cover all these areas. However on the 13th we contacted about 100 persons by telephone and person to person contact. Out of this 100, we carried 40 to the courthouse. Tuesday the 14th was a repeat performance. We contacted about 70 and carried 42 to the courthouse. Wednesday, we had two cars and an ambulance. With the use of person to person contact we carried down 30. On Thursday we used the same method of contact and carried 43 persons to the courthouse. Friday we carried 34 down. This week has also been pretty slow. This is primarily because of the lack of transportation and workers. However, from Monday to Thursday we have taken 95 down. Friday, which was the last day for voter-registration, we carried a total of 56 down.

As I forestated, the problem is not in registration itself, our main problem has been transportation and a lack of people actually doing their home work or doing the job. It is pretty hard trying to register a vast number of people with just 6 people working.

The people who have been conducting the voter-registration project prior to this time, gave us very little or no cooperation. We have tried all we know to unite our efforts. At the conclusion of this drive, we had a little more cooperation from local voter-registration officials. This was done by organizing nightly meetings in different communities and enviting these people to speak on voter registration.

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We have the understanding that all of the people who we've taken down, passed. At this point we submit a figure of 340. This figure, however, is not official because there were people who went down on their own as a result of the handbills, radio announcements etc. As soon as I have obtained this information(official), I will send it to you.

As I forestated your interest is highly appreciated. If there is anything that you do not understand about this report on if there is anything that I did not include in this report, please write and let me know.

At this point, may I extend sincere good wishes for continued success in all endeavors.

Yours for first class citizenship,

Elizabeth Hayes

(Miss) Elizabeth Hayes

April 23, 1964

Miss Elizabeth Hayes
712 Dorsey Street
Montgomery, Alabama

RE: VEP 4-9

Dear Miss Hayes:

Mrs. Edwina Smith has informed us that you will have the responsibility for the research reporting on the Montgomery project.

We would appreciate receiving a weekly report, retroactive to April 1, in which you report registration results (in exact figures), number of persons contacted, means of contact, number applying for registration, number rejected, and the reason for rejection. We would appreciate also your discussion of problems encountered, both with officials and in the Negro communities, and plans for solving same.

At the conclusion of the program, we would appreciate an assessment of the effectiveness of your approach to the assignment.

If we can be of assistance to you, let us know. We welcome your questions and comments.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Barbara I. Whitaker
Research Assistant

BIW:js

cc: The Rev. Andrew Young

April 30, 1964

The Rev. Andrew Young
Southern Christian Leadership
Conference
334 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Andy:

Mrs. Edwina Smith delivered your letter of April 30 today. I do not feel that VEP should make any additional grants for work in Albany at this time, as we sent the sum of $1,000 on April 3 with an understanding that this was to carry on the program there until the May 2 deadline. The April 3 action was the result of your request of April 1.

VEP attempts to consider every request as speedily as possible, but it is simply not good business sense for SCLC or the Albany Movement to approve the hiring of twenty-eight field workers without knowing in advance where the money was coming from, and frankly, I am a little strained over the idea of paying for programs which should have been requested in advance. I regret that we must decline to make the grant.

We have always considered the VEP programs as being supplemental to the existing voter registration programs of the major agencies, and we therefore assume that SCLC will take care of the expenses in Albany, and that the current program will not be delayed on account of the lack of money.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

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Southern Christian Leadership Conference

Martin Luther King Jr., *President* Ralph Abernathy, *Treasurer* Wyatt Tee Walker, *Executive Assistant*

April 30, 1964

Mr. Wiley Branton, Director
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Wiley:

The Albany, Georgia Project in voter registration has done a tremendous job within the last month. As of April 29th they registered 459 negroes and the number is increasing daily. Considering all factors involved this is very good for Albany.

There are three factors which I feel are directly responsible for this reaction: C. B. King's campaign, senseless killing of Negroes by local police, and the increase to twenty-eight field workers for recruiting. The twenty-eight field people have caused a great increase in expenditures and has resulted in an overdrawal on the account of approximately $250.00 and this week we anticipate another $500 in expenses.

Edwina wrote Slater and followed-up with a telephone call to caution them against the use of any of these funds to promote C. B. King's campaign and they assured her that this was not being done. She also indicated to him that it was a great mistake to pay these many people to work in voter registration and that they should try and get people to donate their time for this project. But in view of the present momentum, I don't feel that it would be to the advantage of the project to cut off the money since this was not explained in the beginning. However, we hope that this will not happen again.

We would certainly appreciate VEP granting an additional $700 to cover expenses for the remaining week and the overdrawal. I think the results achieved merit special consideration.

Your immediate consideration of this matter will be greatly appreciated.

One other thing, SCLC has not taken any money out for administrative overhead, because we felt that the money was so badly needed in the local communities.

Sincerely yours,

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Andrew J. Young

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Albany, Ga.

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May 4, 1964

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Dear Rev. Young

We have been working day and night in getting the names of the people of Dougherty County on the registrar's books.

We built some small booths about 4 by 4 feet, and we set them along the busy streets of the city, taking the names of the people as they passed, and getting them to commit themselves in going down to register. This was pretty successful. We were able to get a larger team than we had before, maybe because of the little funds we had to hand out. But anyway, we think the idea of being able to give them a little hand-out really paid off.

On the other hand, some of the success may be contributed to C. B. King's campaign for Congress, and some may be credited to the fact that we were able to turn wholly to voter registration for the last four weeks.

Although I know this is nothing like what needs to be done as far as getting the names on the books; by comparing this with the past, we are very proud of what has been done in the last four weeks. We were able to get nearly 600 people on the books in the past month. It would be only fair to say, too, that in the beginning of the latter part of the drive which was the last four weeks, we called a meeting where people made suggestions as to what could possibly be done. The suggestions included:

1. Build some booths. This was done.

2. Call upon the professors of the schools to check the rolls for those that were eligible to register. This was done. We registered over 160 people out of the schools alone.

3. We would pay the people to work. This was done. Some paid part-time, and some paid full-time. In this, cooperation was fine, especially from the preachers.

There were other suggestions made ranging from canvassing methods to turning to God as how to get the people's names on the books.

In the past two weeks, I have visited Tift, Randolph, Crisp, Thomas, and Decator Counties initiating voter registration campaigns. As of May 4, my attention will be directed toward citizenship schools.

Sincerely yours

Samuel B. Wells

Samuel B. Wells

August 4, 1964

The Rev. Andrew Young
SCLC
334 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

RE: VEP 4-9

Dear Andy:

In accordance with our telephone conversation today, I enclose herein our VEP check in the amount of $1,000 representing a supplemental grant for work in Montgomery, Alabama. Please make sure that Mrs. Idessa Williams and your SCLC staff in that area know about this additional support.

It is my understanding that you will send me a letter immediately regarding a request for St. Augustine, Florida, and Jones County, Georgia.

This grant should support your Montgomery program for at least two months in line with your previous correspondence.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:js
Encl: $1,000 check

August 4, 1964

Mrs. Idessa Williams
Montgomery Improvement Assn., Inc.
712 Dorsey Street
Montgomery, Alabama 36108 RE: VEP 4-9

Dear Mrs. Williams:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of July 31 requesting a direct grant for registration work in Montgomery.

I note that you have a ten-day period which will start August 3. VEP would require that you have a special set of voucher checks, and other organisational set-ups before we could make a direct grant, and most of your ten-days would be gone before we could make such a grant since you have not been receiving a direct grant in the past.

We have today made a supplemental grant to SCLC in the amount of $1,000 to assist your local registration program, and I have asked Rev. Andrew Young to inform you that additional assistance will be forthcoming immediately through SCLC.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:js
cc: Rev. Andrew Young

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The Montgomery Improvement Association, Inc.

712 Dorsey Street
Montgomery, Alabama 36108
Telephone: 265-3364

President
*S. S. SEAY, SR.

HAZEL R. GREGORY
Office Secretary

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July 31, 1964

Attorney Wiley A. Branton
5 Forsyth Street, N. W. Rm. 206
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Attorney Branton:

Recently, the Board of Directors of the Montgomery Improvement Association appointed me to serve as its Voter Registration Chairman. Having worked with the project here in Montgomery and worked along with the Alabama Coordinating Committee for Voting and Registration they have placed their confidence in me to carry on in the place of our former chairman, Mr. Rufus A. Lewis.

We have been working continuously in the voter registration program since the inception of the organization. Of recent months we have worked and co-ordinated our efforts with the SCLC staff that is in our city at this time.

Due to a slowness of getting funds from V.E.P. over here in time to carry out our program promptly, the board asked that I make application for funds from V. E. P. directly. This is my request today.

We are in need of funds to support us in our efforts in a ten day drive that begins on August 3. If we can get the funds directly, it will save many precious working hours.

Let me hear from you immediately regarding this request.

Very sincerely yours,

Idessa Williams

(Mrs.) Idessa Williams

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Freedom through Love — Dignity — Non-Violence

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VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Columbus, Georgia

August 27, 1964 -- September 15, 1964
Mr. Willie Bolden, Field Director

METHODS USED TO CONTACT PEOPLE TO REGISTER

1. Door to door canvassing in areas with the most people unregistered.

2. Making short talks in churches on why it so important to register and vote.

3. Contacting as many businessmen as possible to get them to see that all of their workers are registered at once.

4. Getting as many persons as possible to canvass the pool rooms, night clubs, and street corners.

5. Setting up Voter Education Rallies and inviting all persons by means of leaflets.

6. The use of newspaper and radio news media.

Discussion of Problems faced:

The leadership here in Columbus is unexplainable. There are about six persons who want the leadership and they would do anything to get it, even sell the Negros down the drain. They will come to meetings, say that they will do one thing and uopn leaving they will have another meeting and say that they will not do anything. By that I mean out of 45 people, including professional and middleclass Negros and the Grassroot people, only two persons really help do anything. These two persons were Sgt. Lorenzo Mabry and Mrs. Levater Fluellen.

There are people here who told me that they will not let their children help and will see to it that no one else children would help.

Reason:

They claim that their children helped in a registration drive a few months ago and were promised to be paid and as yet they still have not received their money. I was told that Mr. Vernon Mitchell promised to pay

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them $15.00 each for canvassing the areas. Mr. Mitchell told me that he called Mr. Wiley Branton whom he could not reach, so he talked to Barbara Whitaker. He stated that he asked for a budget for voter registration and while waiting for the budget, and thinking that he would get it, he started the young people to work. Later he found out that he was not going to get the budget, but it was too late because he had made the debt. These persons worked three or four weeks and registered some 3,000 new voters. Between this problem and the people who want to take leadership and not work for it, it was impossible for this drive to produce favorable results. I must say that this drive was not organized for the first week and a half.

Reason:

Mr. John Gibson did not think that there was enough time to do this. Later, Mr. Hosea Williams came in and found out that there was no organized methods being used. He and I began to organize the community as much as we could and not waste any time. I am not saying that this was or is Mr. Gibson's fault, maybe I should have insisted that organizing be done, but unfortunately I didn't.

There was a mass Voter Education Rally called and some 2,000 leaflets were distributed in all communities and only 11 persons attended. There was another rally called with Rev. C. T. Vivian as speaker, this meeting was unsuccessful also. Many of the so-called leaders and ministers who promised to attend did not show up. Enclosed you will find leaflets concerning these meetings.

I also spoke with the Ministerial Association but received very little cooperation from the members of this group of which Rev. T. G. Blue is President.

There was a Luncheon Meeting held at the Ralston Hotel in which many of

the so-called leaders were invited. Each person made a personal commitment which he did not fulfill.

The drive, however, was not a complete failure because we did get quite a few persons to register which was one of our major purposes for being here.

There is a $139.00 gas bill made here by Mr. Vernon Mitchell which as yet has not been paid. [redacted],

Willie Bolden

Mr. Willie Bolden,
Field Representative.

Number of people successfully registered 100-115

In my opinion, the results of the Columbus Voter Education Project was as well as could be expected. A drive of this nature can not be successful unless there is the full cooperation of the people in the community and the leaders. I feel that the drive here was all to brief and time and effort was lost due to the failure of not organizing and making definite plans as to activities and means of getting people educated as to the power we can have if they would only register and vote.

Mr. Bolden did a wonderful job under the circumstances. People can't be made to do anything, the only thing we can do is tell them the importance of voting and taking them to the courthouse to register. They can't be made to attend these meetings so they still don't know what's going on. They even slam doors in your face when we are trying to help them as well as ourselves.

I make an appeal that we will continue to have your support here in the city of Columbus because it is very much needed.

Mrs. Queen Cobb Hardeman,

Secretary, Columbus VEP

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TIME: 4:00 P.M.

PLACE: MASONIC TEMPLE
6th AVENUE

DATE: SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 1964

DON'T MISS THIS GIGANTIC MASS MEETING!

LOUISIANA COUNTY REGISTERS NEGRO

White Residents Fail to Bar Cleric in West Feliciana

ST. FRANCISVILLE, La., Oct. 17 (UPI)—An elderly clergyman became today the first Negro eligible to vote in West Feliciana Parish (county) since 1902.

He managed to register even though white residents formed a human chain across the main entrance to the courthouse.

The minister, the Rev. Joe Carter, needed 35 minutes to prove his eligibility to vote. He was one of 43 Negroes who came to the West Feliciana Courthouse today to register under the observation of a Justice Department representative and agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

White residents of St. Francisville tried to block the courthouse entrance but the Negroes entered through a side door.

The charred remnants of a four-foot cross remained in front of a Negro place of business near the courthouse. The cross was burned last night.

The Congress of Racial Equality promoted the Negro voter registration here.

Ronnie Moore, Louisiana field secretary for CORE, and Frank Dunbar of the Justice Department's Civil Rights Division accompanied the Negroes to the courthouse.

CORE Member Arrested

Russell Dunbar, a CORE member, was arrested by St. Francisville officials for driving without a license. He was later released on bond.

The assistant parish registrar, Joe Cutrer, told the Negroes who wanted to register that they would have to await their turn. He said that nine whites were ahead of them, that each white would be tested separately and that each had 40 minutes to take his test. Thus, the office might close before the Negroes took their tests, he said.

But the whites finished before the office closed. Mr. Carter went in and came out 35 minutes later, waving his registration form.

Mr. Cutrer said that those who were waiting in line when the office closed would not be given priority tomorrow in registering. He said he would again test applicants tomorrow on a first-come, first-served basis.

West Feliciana Parish has about 1,200 registered voters. The 1960 census showed a white population of 4,079 and a nonwhite population of 8,129.

CORE has conducted registration education classes for Negroes in West Feliciana for the last several months. Louisiana does not have a poll tax.

New York Times

October 18, 1963

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Core Narrative

Beaumont Enterprise

REGISTRAR ORDERED TO GIVE EQUAL TREATMENT

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Compiled From Enterprise News Services

Three Louisiana parishes — Madison, St. Helena and West Feliciana—yesterday figured in attempts to register Negro voters.

In Shreveport, a federal judge ordered the Madison Parish voter registrar to give equal treatment to Negroes and whites.

DEPARTMENT SEEKS COURT ORDERS

In New Orleans, the Justice Department sought federal court orders to forbid the registrar of St. Helena Parish from discriminating against Negroes seeking to vote.

And in St. Francisville, in West Feliciana Parish, Negroes plan to resume today trying to get their names on the voter rolls in the southeast Louisiana town.

JUDGE ORDERS MONTHLY REPORTS

U. S. Dist. Judge Ben C. Dawkins Jr. in Shreveport ordered the Madison Parish registrar to submit monthly reports listing the names of persons rejected and explaining why they were turned down.

The ruling came in a suit filed by the Justice Department two years ago.

MADISON PARISH IS RURAL AREA

Madison Parish, a rural area, is located on the Mississippi River in northeast Louisiana.

Dawson, in his ruling, said Miss Katherine Ward, the registrar, had accepted applications from white persons whom she knew or who had been registered previously without requiring full identification. On the other hand, he said, she refused to accept from Negroes such identification as a driver's license.

He noted in his ruling that none of Madison Parish's 5,000 Negroes was on voter rolls when the case came to trial. But since then, he said, 174 have been registered.

The order enjoined Miss Ward from "engaging in any act or practice which involves or results in distinctions of race or color in the registration of voters. . . ."

At the same time, Dawkins commended Louisiana's new citizenship test as "very fair."

He noted that the questions voter registrars put to applicants were taken from the Justice Department manual used to test aliens applying for U.S. citizenship.

The complaint said Negroes were given tougher registration tests, fewer chances to register than whites and that registration forms were used as a highly technical examination for Negroes but not for whites.

The state of Louisiana was also named as a defendant in the suit.

47th Vote Suit

It was the 47th vote registration suit filed by the Justice Department — the 13th in Louisiana.

Negroes presently are registering under federal court orders in East Feliciana Parish in Louisiana.

Atty. Gen. Robert F. Kennedy said the suit was filed in the case of St. Helena Parish only after his department was unable to obtain assurances from state and local officials that the discrimination would end.

At the end of 1960, the complaint said, there were 2,300 whites and 320 Negroes registered.

State Low

Under state law in Louisiana a mistake in a registration form —even a misspelled word—is enough to disqualify a would-be voter. Also state law requires a test of the applicant's ability to interpret the state and federal constitutions.

But, the complaint said, registrar Crouch added other requirements. At first, registrants were required to answer correctly two of four oral questions on history and government. Later, this was changed to require applicants to answer all four questions correctly in writing.

In Baton Rouge, Atty. Gen. Jack Gremillion said the Department of Justice contacted his office before filing the suit.

No Violation

"We checked with the registrar of voters," Gremillion said, "and found he was not violating the law, in fact, was complying with the law, both in the letter and the spirit.

"The Department of Justice actually wanted the registrar to violate the plain terms of the new Louisiana registration laws, which he cannot do."

"We will defend the lawsuit," Gremillion said, "and we feel that we can vindicate the registrar."

New Tactic

In St Francisville, faced with a new tactic by the voter registrar, the Negroes called off registration efforts yesterday. They said they wanted to regroup their forces to meet the latest barrier.

Ronnie Moore, field secretary for the Congress of Racial Equality, said Registrar Fletcher Harvey started Monday requiring each applicant to have two registered voters to identify him.

Only four Negroes are registered to vote in West Feliciana Parish. The first got on the rolls last Thursday when CORE opened its drive. The other three were registered Friday.

Change In Rules

No more succeeded Monday when the change in rules greeted the Negroes arriving, as usual, in a school bus at the courthouse.

St. Francisville, a town of about 2,000 population, is the latest racial hotspot in CORE's campaign for Negro voter registration in Louisiana's 6th Congressional District. St. Francisville is more than half Negro.

Earlier the CORE drive sparked demonstrations at Plaquemine. These erupted into major conflicts between marching crowds of Negroes and officers using tear gas and electric cattle prods.

There have been no demonstrations at St. Francisville.

But the opening of the drive last week set up a tense weekend. Some Negroes stood armed guard at their homes. The FBI reported the beating of one Negro and threats against another.

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Negroes Ignore Threats

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short, plump man, walked on, apparently unhearing.

The minister was one of 43 Negroes who arrived at the courthouse in a school bus. It was the first mass voter registration attempt here in the Congress of Racial Equality (CORE) campaign.

Six of them applied for registration. All but Carter were told they failed.

While Carter was in the registrar's office, a Negro girl worker for CORE entered the courthouse hall. When she turned toward a drinking fountain a white man shouted:

"You can't drink out of that. If you do I'll cut your guts out."

Dist. Atty. Richard Kilbourne and other men intervened. The man was taken out of the courthouse, still fuming.

The frightened girl darted outside. CORE leaders declined to divulge her identity.

Several FBI agents were on hand, mapping frequent photographs throughout the day. State agents also were active with cameras.

Group of whites stood around on the lawn in front of the red brick courthouse and lounged at the base of the Confederate statue.

The day opened with an air of tension. A Ku Klux Klan cross was burned at midnight in front of the office of Aldero Stevenson, Negro assistant to the county agent.

The charred remains were left standing in front of the office. Stevenson declined comment. Sheriff W. C. Percy Jr. said no complaint was filed.

The parish has a population of about 8,500 — 68 per cent of them Negro. It's on the Mississippi River with the Mississippi state line forming its northern border.

The Rev. Carter was arrested when he tried to register last Aug. 10. He filed a $100,000 federal court suit later accusing registrar Fletcher Harvey and Sheriff Percy of violating his civil rights.

CORE is pushing a voter registration drive throughout the Sixth Congressional District, which includes 12 parishes in southeast Louisiana.

State courts at Clinton and Plaquemine have issued restraining orders forbidding CORE to foster or finance racial rallies in the two towns.

An effort by the Clinton town board to jail a Congress of Racial Equality leader was blocked temporarily when a federal appeals court stopped a Clinton hearing last Monday on a petition for preliminary injunction.

Clinton's petition to dissolve the 5th U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals stay will be argued in Atlanta Friday.

Meanwhile, a CORE spokesman said 18 Negro teen-agers arrested using demonstrations have been released in custody of their parents.

At Plaquemine, authorities broke a Negro teen-agers boycott of segregated schools by charging leaders with delinquency, based on the state's compulsory school attendance law.

The CORE spokesman said authorities in the two towns released the juveniles on condition that they return to schools, plus certain "other conditions." He did not elaborate.

Rennie Moore, a state field secretary for CORE, said quite a number of Negroes would apply for registration as voters in West Feliciana Parish.

Another group of Negroes will be on hand when the office opens Friday, he added.

The registration office closed at 5 p.m., about an hour early. Officers, who declined to be quoted, said the early closing was called because it is almost dark at the time of the normal 6 p.m. shutdown.

Of six Negroes who applied for registration, five were in- 6 p.m. shutdown.

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CHECK SIGNALS—Rennie Moore, left, field secretary for CORE, talks with an attorney of the U.S. Department of Justice, Frank Dunbar, outside the West Feliciana Parish courthouse in St. Francisville during a Negro voter registration drive Thursday. Moore conferred with Dunbar several times during the attempt to register 43 Negroes to vote.
—Advocate staff photo by John Boss

Negroes Ignore Threats, One Gains Vote

ST. FRANCISVILLE (AP) — A minister ignored threatening white men Thursday to become West Feliciana Parish's first Negro voter since Reconstruction.

The Rev. Joseph Carter entered the parish courthouse by a side door after white men blocked the front entrance.

One of the men cursed him and wagned him that he would be emasculated if he entered the building. The Rev. Carter, a

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COURTESY'S ADDITION

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Sumter, S.C.
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Dear Sir:

Here is the report from Sumter Core office. The new method as of now, We are engaged in Block Workers to report each month to leaders in each section. If the block workers fail to report, leaders will contact them as a reminder as to how many persons are going to Register + need of transportation.

Block Workers are given books and phone numbers of leaders to call on ward shop information asking churches in each community to turn out one Sunday a half an hour early to do a door to door campaign. This has help to increase Voters Registration from 40 a month to a 100 %. We do hope we can get each community to make their pledge by Jan. 1st for as many Sunday's as possible,

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along with our door to door drive, but we feel that we must have leadership in the community. We are still plagued with polls closing before time, opening early and closing early. This cuts off persons from early jobs. Slow process by registrar. Whites still have no lines and negroes have. Negroes are asked more questions than whites. Negroes stand in line and are turned away each month by the registrar.

Negroes have to go from five to twenty five miles to register. Most of them have no transportation. They close the registration office without proper notice.

Respectfully,
F. B. Robinson

Rec'd 11/30/63 WBW RTB LG JSL

CORE VOTER REGISTRATION - 1963

	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
South Carolina	230	-	392	343	390	575	674	575	871	1,413	1,363		
Louisiana	23	-	-	84	73	161	165	452	198	311	Not Yet Available		
Florida	149	433	-	29	62	69	335	194	5,593	-	172	-	
Total	402	433	392	456	525	805	1,174	1,221	6,662	1,724	1,535		

CAPITAL VOTERS LEAGUE

Turner Chapel A.M.E. Church Greensberg, Louisiana

February 1, 1964 10:00 A.M.

The following parishes were represented: West Feliciana, East Feliciana, and St. Helena.

After the opening freedom songs and the reading of the minutes of the last meeting, the following parishes reported:

1. St. Helena (reporter: John Hall): After the Federal Court decision declaring the citizenship test unconstitutional, fewer people have gone up to the registrar's office, but no precise records are available of how many went up and how many of those passed. It is estimated that 10 have been registered since the second primary. The registrar is not using the citizenship test.

2. East Feliciana (reporter: Robert Thompson): After the Federal Court decision, the registrar has not registered anyone, claiming that the state courts have told him not to register although the Federal Courts say he should. Negroes continue to apply for registration, however.

3. West Feliciana (reporter: Raymond Minor): Before the first primary, 13 Negroes were registered, the first in the parish in over half a century. As in East Feliciana, the registrar is refusing to register anyone, although from 40 to 50 Negroes go to the registrar's office every week.

In remarks on the ballot and federal action, and direct action protests for suffrage, it was emphasized that federal action is limited by the necessities of politics, as well as the hold over the Congress by entrenched Southern Congressmen. Discussion centered around the need for local action since the Federal government cannot always be counted on and because it is important to show the Southern segregationists that the Negro community can stand on its own feet, and that it means business. It was suggested that local groups might try picketing the Police Jury and/or sitting-in at the registrar's office to force the registrars to be more equitable. Communities that didn't already have CORE chapters were advised to form one.

Ronnie Moore, speaking on CORE's action in voting in Louisiana, stressed the need for area-wide action, and possibly state-wide action. He pointed out that the Capital Voters League should eventually consider endorsing candidates. In discussion afterwards, it was suggested that communities use the boycott as a method of fighting for better treatment.

The following persons were appointed to a Resolution Committee by the President, Mr. Herbert Bell; Mr. Ellis Howard, Greensberg; Mr. Fred Higgenbotham, Greensberg; Mr. Raymond Minor, St. Francisville; Mrs. Laura Spears, Clinton.

RESOLUTIONS:

1. It is resolved that March be declared Voter Registration Month.

2. The last two weeks of February are declared Voter Registration Training Weeks.

3. Stand-ins should be employed to win our demands for registration.

4. Those parishes in need should apply to the Police Jury for a Deputy Registrar

5. Protests on injustices in voter registration should be made on a tri-parish basis to Robert Kennedy.

6. The parishes represented should extend to CORE an invitation to organize local CORE chapters.

7. The Capital Voters League endorses Charlton Lyons in the gubernatorial race.

8. Each parish should establish a selective buying campaign against all white merchants, in order to win better treatment.

9. Each delegation should investigate the possibility of boycotting all white insurance companies.

10. $50.00 must be raised to cover the costs of the charter. Each of the following four parishes must contribute $12.50: East Feliciana, West Feliciana, St. Helena, and Iberville.

11. The next meeting of the Capital Voters League shall be held on April 25, 1964 at 10:00 A.M. at the Masonic Hall in Laurel Hill, La.

Each parish then chose representatives to check on the implementation of these resolutions.

East Feliciana: Mr. Robert Thompson
West Feliciana: Mr. Vincent Smith
St. Helena: Mr. John Hall

Copies of the resolutions will be sent to all the parish representatives. Mrs. Laura Spears, Clinton, volunteered to be a "scout" responsible for inviting the leaders in the Sixth Congressional District to the next meeting. She is to be assisted by Task Force Workers.

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February 1, 1964 — 10 A.M.

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Mrs. Barbara Whitaker, Research Assistant
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5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Whitaker:

During the period of Ronnie Moore's jailing the project in Louisiana was under the direction of Spiver Gordon. Also, during the time James T. McCain, Director of Organization was in Louisiana.

You should also know that the books were closed during February. Therefore, you received no reports of activities during that period. I hope that clarifies the matter.

Sincerely yours,

Marvin Rich

Marvin Rich
Community Relations Director

MR/jj

March 11, 1964

Mr. Marvin Rich
CORE
38 Park Row
New York 38, New York

Dear Mr. Rich:

In view of Ronnie Moore's incarceration, we would like to know who is taking over CORE's voter registration activity in the assigned Louisiana parishes. We received a letter from Mary Hamilton indicating she was responsible for the work in St. Bernard and Plaquemine. We have received no reports of activity for the month of February.

May we hear from you soon?

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Barbara I. Whitaker
Research Assistant

BIW:js

Was talked to Marvin Rich 3/13/64, + was informed Spivey Gordon is in charge of this project until 3/18/64, the due date of Moore's release from the jail. In most of the parishes, the banks were closed during February because of an election on March 3.

School Boycott Brings Arrest of Core Workers

Freed After 47 Days

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Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, March 16, 17 and 18 — Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company, 250 Alhambra Circle, Coral Gables.

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The Gypsy says this statement will lift an eyebrow: "The U. S. Army uses about 188,000 yards of diapers a year."

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NEGRO BROADC'ER SCORES BREAK-THROUGH ON TV

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — (ANP) — A well-known local radio broadcaster whose popular Saturday night radio-cast emanates from the local Ridgewood Lounge, has joined the staff of Educational Television Channel 7, in Jacksonville, and began his weekly telecast on Friday mornings, starting last week.

Hugh Wilson will conduct geography study for seventh graders,

CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST NEWS

Morris Temple is now in their bless lent consecration service every Tuesday, Friday, and Sunday night 8:00 P. M., Sunday morning 12 noon until Easter. Rev. Morris and the church will be at the Liberty City Project Auditorium, 14th Avenue and 63rd Street Easter Sunrise 5:00 A. M. Please listen to their broadcast over the radio station WAME 10:00 to 10:30 P.M. every Sunday night from the church.

ALLIANCE HOLDS REGULAR MEETING

The Greater Miami Interdenominational Alliance held its regular meeting on Tuesday, March 3 at the Mount Zion Baptist Church with the President, The Reverend Edward T. Graham presiding.

The Meeting was well attended by ministers of all the mayor Faiths. Several ministers expressed their enthusiasm about the harmony that is prevalent among the members of the Alliance.

All standing and special Committees made their reports which were received by the Body.

All ministers present were very happy to learn that the World Baptist Alliance will be held in Miami in 1965 and they pledged their support in making it successful. They also pledged to turn out their Church lights on the night of May 3, 1964 and to attend a

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JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — (ANP) — A well-known local radio broadcaster whose popular Saturday night radio-cast emanates from the local Ridgewood Lounge, has joined the staff of Educational Television Channel 7, in Jacksonville, and began his weekly telecast on Friday mornings, starting last week.

Hugh Wilson will conduct geography study for seventh graders, beginning at 8:45 a.m. and will discuss the cultures of Central and South American countries and the Caribbean Islands in his weekly telecasts.

Wilson's joining the Channel 7 staff represents a racial "breakthrough" in educational television and is a "first" in this area. He is a graduate of Excelsior Secondary Junior College, Jamaica, British West Indies, and City College, New York City .

CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST NEWS

Morris Temple is now in their bless lent consecration service every Tuesday, Friday, and Sunday night 8:00 P. M., Sunday morning 12 noon until Easter. Rev. Morris and the church will be at the Liberty City Project Auditorium, 14th Avenue and 63rd Street Easter Sunrise 5:00 A. M. Please listen to their broadcast over the radio station WAME 10:00 to 10:30 P.M. every Sunday night from the church.

ALLIANCE HOLDS REGULAR MEETING

The Greater Miami Interdenominational Alliance held its regular meeting on Tuesday, March 3 at the Mount Zion Baptist Church with the President, The Reverend Edward T. Graham presiding.

The Meeting was well attended by ministers of all the mayor Faiths. Several ministers expressed their enthusiasm about the harmony that is prevalent among the members of the Alliance.

All standing and special Committees made their reports which were received by the Body.

All ministers present were very happy to learn that the World Baptist Alliance will be held in Miami in 1965 and they pledged their support in making it successful. They also pledged to turn out their Church lights on the night of May 3, 1964 and to attend a meeting that has been scheduled for that night by the Executive Committee of the World Baptist Alliance.

All ministers are urgently requested to be present at the meeting of the Alliance which will be held on Tuesday, March 17 at which time a luncheon will be served. Donations: $1.00 per person.

The Reverend Edward T. Graham, President. E. Jackson, Reporter.

Union Contract Lets Rights Group Handle Biases

LOS ANGELES,—A novel clause permitting civil rights organizations to handle complaints on discrimintory hiring is included in a new agreement between Teamsters Local 595 and Spartan Groceries.

E. J. Franklin, chairman of the employment section of the United Civil Rights Committee, which includes CORE, commented: "The clause is an interesting development in the civil rights field."

Specifically, it provides that if a job applicant feels he has been rejected by the company because of race, he can designate one of the civil rights organizations to process his grievance, all the way through the final step of arbitration.

New Philadelphia Baptists Hold Baptismal Services

The Rev. William H. Washington, minister at New Philadelphia Baptist, announces that baptismal services are to begin at 8:15 a.m. Sunday morning, at Virginia Beach. "The church with the star for the steeple" has constantly been blessed by new conversions. Five candidates are to be baptized Sunday morning. The pastor is asking that all candidates be at the church at 7:30 a.m. Sunday morning. He is also requesting that members of the choir be in attendance. The public is invited to witness these services.

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GRACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH NEWS

As we approch the end of the first quarter of 1964, We see that we have accomplished the following: Mr. E. L. Harris has become a member of the session, and has been very helpful; Mrs. Laura Powell has taken up the duties of financial secretary, and is doing excellently; Mrs. Barbara Savoy and Mrs. Zeola Jones form a fine team in reviving the Youth Fellowship Program; Mr. Willard Williams and Mrs. Melvina Powell are making a great team in the custodial duties; and Mr. Charles Smith has been able to strengthen his ushers board with new workers. As a result of our recent Men's Day drive, we have been able to pay off a sizeable debt to the United Presbyterian Savings and Loan; and now we are in the process of painting the outside of the manse.

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BAPTIST COUNCIL HOLDS SESSION

The Baptist Minister's Council of Greater Miami and vicincity will hold its bi-monthly evening session on March 17, 1964, beginning at 8:00 at the New Bethel Baptist Church, Opa-locka, Florida.

High lights of the current weekly International Sunday School lesson was given by Assistant Bible Expositor Rev. P. W. Williams. A special sermon will be delivered by Rev. P. S. Brown (alternate) Rev. P. W. Williams. All church leaders are extended a special invitation to attend along with all laymen Music will be furnished by the New Bethel Baptist Choir and Mount Taylor Baptist Choir

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Liberty Square Community Center
6300 N. W. 14th AVENUE

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7200 N. W. 22nd AVENUE

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4900 N. W. 27th AVENUE

Wood's Grocery
3011 N. W. 62nd STREET

COCONUT GROVE — Dew Drop Inn
3727 GRAND AVENUE

OPA-LOCKA—Mount Zion A. M. E. Church
152nd TERRACE AND 22nd AVENUE

Time:

MON. - WED. - FRI. - SAT. 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

TUESDAY - THURSDAY 8 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Register To Vote Now!

CORE VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

County Registration Gains Momentum

MIAMI, FLA. — In increasing numbers many individuals have been taking advantage of the convenience of voter registration sub-stations in the county. Many church, civic, and social organizations have joined hands with other groups in order to make the county registration drive an overwhelming success by registering the members of their groups. Apartment Buildings have registration captains to see that all occupants in a building are registered to vote.

Opa-locka — Mount Zion A.M.E. Church, 152nd Terrace and 22nd Avenue, N. W.

Liberty City — Liberty Square Center, 6304 N. W. 14th Avenue; James E. Scott Center, 7200 N. W. 22nd Avenue; Hutcheson Realty, 5178 N. W. 17th Avenue.

Brown's Sub — Neal's Supermarket, 4900 N. W. 27th Avenue; Wood's Grocery, 3011 N. W. 62nd Street.

Downtown Miami — Central Life Insurance Co., 178 N. W. 14th Street.

Coconut Grove — Dew Drop Inn, 3727 Grand Avenue.

South Miami — South Miami City Hall, 6135 Sunset Drive.

Richmond Heights — Richmond Drugs, 14638 Lincoln Boulevard.

Perrine — R. R. Moton School, 18050 Momestead Avenue.

Goulds and Naranja — Mays High School, Hainlin Mill Drive.

Homestead and Florida City — St. Cyprian's Episcopal Church, 4th Sreet and Fourth Avenue, S. W.

These sub-stations are open from 9:00 a. m. to 5:00 p. m. on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays and from 9:00 a. m. to 9:00 p. m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Registration will end on March 21.

THE MIAMI NEWS

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Miami, Fla., Friday, March 27, 1964

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4 File For 'Fair' Districts

Whether or not Florida's voters are equally represented in Congress may be decided by a federal court within 10 days.

Four South Florida residents have filed a petition to be heard April 6 asking either a stop to the primaries scheduled for May 5 or nomination of candidates on an "at large" basis rather than by districts they claim are unfair.

Making their new legal move to force redistricting of the state's Congressional seats were Florida Reps. Edmund Gong and Mrs. Maxine Baker, plus two housewives, Mrs. Joyce Griffin, Fort Lauderdale, and Mrs. Ruth Kruse, Miami.

In their latest petition, filed as a supplement to an original suit of March 3, the quartet says the state has admitted the present districting is not equitable and demands no election be held pending a final court decision.

NEGRO DRIVE ADDS 2,700 VOTERS

A two-week voter registration drive here by the Congress of Racial Equality has succeeded in adding 2,700 new Negro voters, a CORE spokesman said today.

The increase has brought to 42,000 the number of registered Negro voters in Dade County, said Weldon Rougeau, traveling field secretary for CORE.

The drive conducted from March 9 through March 21 was co-sponsored by several local groups which organized car pools and distributed leaflets, Rougeau said.

Rougeau praised county officials for making available voter registration substations in all areas of the county.

seek an injunction.

CORE Drive Adds 2,700

A two-week registration drive added 2,700 Negro voters in Dade County, Weldon Rougeau, field secretary of the Congress of Racial Equality reported Thursday.

Through CORE, Negro registration in Dade has climbed to about 42,000 since September 1962.

That represents a 12,000 increase in 18 months, Rougeau said. "About 42 per cent of the potential Negro vote in Dade is now registered," he said.

During the recent drive, the county established 38 substations for registration. Twelve stations were in Negro neighborhoods and municipalities from Opa-locka to Florida City.

Five other organizations, including the Florida Council, AFL-CIO, helped in a two-week drive that ended last week, said Rougeau.

Miami Herald
Friday, 3/27/64

April 4, 1964

Mr. Marvin Rich
Congress of Racial Equality
38 Park Row
New York 38, N.Y.

Dear Marvin:

Re VEP 4-10

The Voter Education Project is assigning CORE to a three-month voter registration program beginning April 1, 1964, in the following Louisiana areas:

All of the 6th Congressional District, except East Baton Rouge parish.

Avoyelles parish
St. Landry "
St. Bernard "

The following 21 parishes mentioned in the decree in U.S. v Louisiana, dated January 28, 1963:

Bienville	Plaquemines
Claiborne	Rapides
DeSoto	Red River
East Carroll	Richland
East Feliciana*	St. Helena*
Franklin	Union
Jackson	Webster
LaSalle	West Carroll
Lincoln	West Feliciana*
Morehouse	Winn
Ouachita	

*6th Congressional District

We are making a grant to CORE in the amount of $7000 for use in connection with the registration program in the above designated Louisiana areas.

In South Carolina, VEP is launching a statewide program with separate grants to each of the locally organized Congressional District programs, each of which will have a director at the local level. Because of the fact that you have Messrs. Brown and Robinson working on a full-time basis in South Carolina, we have withheld $3000 of the money which we would have expended in South Carolina and we are sending this amount to CORE so that you will have funds with which to pay the salaries and some of the expenses for the operations of Messrs. Brown and Robinson for the next three months. They could work with the 5th and 6th Congressional District programs which we are mkking direct grants to.

We are not making any assignments to CORE at this time for work in Florida as the books will soon be closed in Tallahassee and we want to reappraise our Florida program. We know that NAACP has recently started a campaign in Tallahassee without the benefit of VEP funds and I understand there is a fine working arrangement at the local level between NAACP, CORE, and the Big Bend Voter Project.

Our thinking here at VEP is that we should not expend any VEP money in Tallahassee but should let the national agencies contribute some of their own funds to their project there.

You requested an assignment for High Point, North Carolina and we will need to know when you want to conduct a program there and for what period of time. We will also need to know what your budget for that program will be.

We are enclosing our check in the amount of $10,000 representing payment in full for the grant approved herein and it should be understood that the same conditions and restrictions are imposed upon this grant as have been imposed upon allpprevious VEP grants. A copy of this letter is enclosed for Richard Haley or whoever is going to direct your

Louisiana program.

Will you please furnish us immediately with the names and addresses of every person who will be working for CORE on voter registration in Louisiana and especially tell us what parishes they will be assigned to.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

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P.S. The other Congressional Districts will employ coordinators but we thought that the 5th and 6th could use Messrs.Brown and Robinson as coordinators since this is the area in which they have been primarily involved. They could still handle the registration in Sumter County even thought it is in the 2nd Congressional District but the local leadership in Sumter County could participate in the 2nd Congressional District work.

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April 8, 1964

Miss Jean Levine
Administrative Secretary
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street, N.W., Room 206
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Miss Levine:

Enclosed please find the bank statement for the month ending March 31st. Please also find expense reports from the field staff, along with check duplicates of amounts drawn from the account covering the reports, social security expense, and salaries.

Salaries reimbursed appear larger than usual. The explanation lies in the fact that we reimbursed payroll only partially for the period ending 3--25--64. The check enclosed covers the other part of the payroll of 3--25--64, and also the full payroll for 4--8--64.

Yours very truly

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April 13, 1964

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Mr. Wiley Branton, Director
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Wiley:

Thanks so much for the $10,000.00 grant for our work. We are most grateful and hope that we shall do a constructive job with the money.

We have begun a voter education project in the 11th Ward in New Orleans. This is being done by CORE without any V.E.P. funds. However, we have approached COPE about this to see if they can aid us with the New Orleans project. If this comes through we will certainly let you know.

We understand the reasoning with regard to Tallahassee.

I shall have the Organization Department send you a list of our workers in Louisiana and their responsibilities. Also, I will send you the information you requested about High Point.

Thanks again.

Sincerely your,

Marvin Rich

MR/jj

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PARISH ASSIGNMENTS

Congr. Districts	Parishes	Workers	Remarks
5th	East Carroll West Carroll Union Ouachita Morehouse Lincoln Jackson Richland others in dist.	Mike Lesser Tom Valentine Henry Brown Claudia Edwards	one car in use
6th	East Feliciana West Feliciana St. Helena Pointe Coupee Iberville Tangipahoa others in dist.	Mimi Feingold Spiver Gordon Howard Messing Loria Davis	one car in use
managing office and coordinating project, etc.	ALL	Reggie Moore Lawrence Mitchell	one car in use

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NOTE: Although we are concentrating on promoting VR activities in the parishes named, we are also laying groundwork for our summer project covering all 24 parishes in the two named congressional districts.

VEP 4-10

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Would you kindly be on the lookout for reports which would give us the local contacts for the following CORE assignments in Louisiana:

Bienville	Rapides
Claiborne	Red River
DeSoto	Richland
East Carohl	St. Helena
East Feliciana	St. Landry
Franklin	Union
Jackson	Webster
LaSalle	West Carroll
Lincoln	West Feliciana
Madison	Winn
Momehouse	
Ouachita	
Plaquemine	

As these come in, or you get more information on them would you be sure to let me know so that I can add it to the current projects list.

Thanks.

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Wiley
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FIELD REPORT - EAST FELICIANA

Apr. 13-30, 1964

VEP: The Registrar's Office remains closed, although a handful of pe ople continue to go there. There have been two new developments. First, the Police Jury suggested to the Registrar that he open his books and continue to register to the best of his abilities. This Palmer interpreted as a suggestion to keep the books closed. Second, the Justice Department suit against Palmer came to court on Mon., Aprl 27. Witnesses were heard, but Judge West granted each side 10 days to file briefs before giving his decision, despite J.D. pleas for speedy action.

CHAPTER DEVELOPMENT: 1) Community Releif Fund: Richard Haley, in his visit to Clinton, suggested to the cha irman of the CRF, Corrie Collins, that responsibility ought to be divided among many people in the community. Acting on this, Corrie has called a meeting of the community leaders for next Sun., May 3 at which they will discuss a new slate of officers for the organization. At the same time, efforts are being made to build the treasury; on Mon, May 4 there will be a spiritual rally to which all the churches in the parish and their choirs have been invited.

2) CORE Chapter: Weekly meeting have been attended by fewer and fewer pe ople, probably reflecting some dissatisfaction with leadership, as well as the pressure of end-of-the-year school activities. Corrie Collins, Chairman, wants to begin a membership campaign in all the ward of the parish, as well as a series of rallies to be held in various wards to increase interest and involvement in CORE activities.

BOYCOTT: It remains about 85-90% effective. We have, at present, no way of enforcing the boycott other than parish-wide distribution of fliers.

DIRECT ACTION: The way has been cleared for CORE activity this summer by District Attorney Kilbourne's dropping of the rest raining order against CORE. The library action has gone to court; the suit to desegregate facilities went to Federal Court on Apr. 28, but Judge West gave both sides until June 9 to file briefs. In the meantime, the Audubon Regional Library suddenly and ingeneously devised a plan to close all three branches of the library and install a telephone system. The reader will now call into the library from any part of the tri-parish area, give his order, and have the book mailed to him or sent out on the bookmobile. Hopefully, adverse reaction to this plan will be enough to open the branches up again.

HARRASSMENTS: On Apr. 20, Richard Haley addressed a rally in Clinton. Although annohncements in the press claimed that James Farmer was coming, the only outcome of this was to cause the white folks to call out the fire truck and tear gas (according to Herbert Bell).

Submitted by: Mimi Feingold and Howard Messing
Clinton, La.

Wiley Branton

JUN 4 - 1964

May 13, 1964

T To: James T. McCain
Richard Haley
Wiley Branton

From: Ronnie M. Moore

Re: Voter registration in Louisiana

<u>Practical aspects of 21 parish decision from Federal judiciary</u>:

1. Registrars are still turning Negroes down in large numbers based on the "technical error" technique used traditionally to disqualify Negroes on the application form instead of the Constitutional tests which no longer can be used according to the Federal decree. Therefore, to register Negro potential voters is just as difficult without the test being in use.

2. Intimidations as in the past are still occurring.

<u>Closed registration books</u>:

1. Ouachita Parish - Election
2. East Feliciana Parish - since Nov. 7, 1963 due to Federal action
3. West Feliciana Parish - same as for East Feliciana

<u>Work at hand</u>:

1. Scouting all parishes in the 5th and 6th Congressional District for summer project.

2. Coordinating voter registration efforts in the 26 parishes. May should be a fruitful month.

3. Laying groundwork for bringing in 50 workers to do voter registration in the 26 parishes.

4. Setting up a 26 parish Leadership Conference - June 8, 1964

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Wiley

VEP Field Report

5th Cong. Dist., Louisiana
April 1-30, 1964
Ouachita Parish

Voter Education Project:

Registrar's books closed for the month of April. The books will reopen May 16,18,19 and close until June 17, if there is a second primary the books will open June 17,18,19 and then close for 30 days. If there is no primary they will reopen on June 17, until July 17.

There has been no VEP activity during April. Canvassing and clinics will resume in May in preparation for opening of the books.

Chapter Development:

Meetings of the potential CORE chapter have been held each Thursday in April, the group now comprise 30-40 high school students, and we are forming an advisory group of adults in the community.

The group has officers and committees--membership, project, publicity and executive.
Project: The project committee has begun an economic survey of the Monroe and West Monroe area, this includes gathering of information about chain-stores and manufacturing concerns concerning segregation policies and discrimination in employment and information about concerns holding government contracts.

The development of the group has not been entirely satisfactory because of personality conflicts and mistakes in organization, but it is growing in size and we should be able to iron out these difficulties.
A major problem is that as the group has grown many people have joined about when we can not be certain. Leakes to the police department have developed and it is difficult to keep information from getting out.

Community Activity:

One "mass meeting" was held on Sunday April 19, outside of the CORE group anly about 7 people showed up and 3 of these were NEgro policeman sent by the police chief.
The meeting had been fairly well publicized by leaflets and word of mouth . Fear and apathy would seem to be the best explanation for its failure.

Intiminidation and Harrassement:

Chief Kelly has continued his pattern of attempted intimidat ion and harrassement. When he heard of Richard Haley was supposed to come to the mass meeting Kelly came to a CORE meeting and warned of doing anything but VEP, he tried to scare the students unsuccessfully and took names of the members.
Chief Kelly sent all of his Negro cops to the mass meeting to spy -but they were very obvious and the speakers at the meeting pointed them out and lectured them.
The Sheriffs department has obtained a German police dog named "Deputy Rock" and has announced thatnit plans to acqurie more of these dogs. "Deputy Rock" has been displayed in the Negro neighborhoods in avery pointed effort to scare the people, and he has been loaned to the police department in several occasions.

One of the local people who have been working with us on VEP, Alfred Dorsey age 21, was arrested last weekend on burglary charge and he is now in the city jail in Monroe. So far there has been no notice in the newspaper of his connection with CORE, but the police have been questioning him about his CORE activities. No bond has been set for him and we are attempting to find out the formal charges and bond if any.
Alfred had just returned from Alexandria La.,where he had been conducting VEP clinics at the bebest of local people. While there he had been picked up and questioned by the local sheriff and the FBI, and told to restrict his activites to voter registration . As previously stated -many times - the police here have excellent intelligence system and know everything we do just about.

Parish Scouting:

We have done none in the last month partly due to lack of contacts in other parishes and partly due to the fact that Mike thinks it essential that Ronnie make initial contacts in North Louisiana in many of the very bad parishes because Mike does not think his white face will have too salutory an effect on welcome CORE initially . Mike takes full responsibility for this position and lack of scouting activity for the Summer Project so far.

The letter of complaints sent to the President Committee on Equal Employment Opportunity has had effect. three(3) Army contract investigators appeared in Monroe during the 1st week in April and conducted their investigation. We feel that the investigation report will be a whitewash and therefore plan to take steps to counteract this.

(1). File suit to integrate Parish Vocational School (white) on behalf of four(4) olin workers and high school graduates ad plaintifs. Olin has policy of paying tuition of workers for up grading of skills and we hope to drag them into this while the spotlight is on the company.

(2). Ask House of Representatives Education and Labor Committee to conduct an investigation of Olin operation in Ouachita Parish.

(3). File formal complaint with the President Committee, our letter was only considered an "informal" complaint.
For futher detailed information see letter to Norman Hill (April)22, 1964) concerning this project.

Future Activities:

(1). Scouting other parishes in the 5th Congressional Dist., and laying ground work for the summer project,-the first two weeks in May.

(2). VEPin Ouachita Parish in preparation for the books in May(16, 18, 19) the CORE group Committeewill be put in charge of this.

(3). Economic Survey of Ouachita Parish will be continued in May.

Submitted by:

Mike

Mike Lesser

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Hattie Molet	HI 3-8551	
Billy Chestand	HI 5-5871	
Culbert	HI 3-2922	
FBI	HI 2-9441	
Registrar of Voters of Rapides Parish	HI 2-5353	
Rev. I. M. Coleman	HI 3-5959	
Nellie Collins	HI 5-3787	3903 Brown
Lula Williams	HI 5-2546	
Mary L. Gilbert	HI 3-8875	4011 Clinton St.
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May 7, 1964

Mrs. Jenie Williams
Congress of Racial Equality
38 Park Row
New York 38, N.Y.

Dear Mrs. Williams:

Now that the VEP-supported program is ended in Tallahassee, it is my understanding that financial reporting from you, in the future, will reflect only expenditures in South Carolina and Louisiana.

Does this agree with your instructions?

Sincerely yours,

Jean Levine
Fiscal Assistant

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May 27, 1964

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Miss Jean Levine
Voter Education Project
Administrative Secretary
5 Forsyth Street, N.W., Room 206
Atlanta 3, Ga.

Dear Miss. Levine:

It is my understanding that Weldon Rougeau has been taken off V. E. P. payroll, as of April 30, 1964. Hence one final expense sheet from him for the last week in April.

Enclosed also are reports from the other workers.

Yours truly

Jenis L. Williams

Enc.

4-10

June 3, 1964

Mr. Marvin Rich
Congress of Racial Equality
38 Park Row
New York 38, New York

RE: VEP 4-10

Dear Mr. Rich:

We were tolerant of the fact that you were using VEP funds to pay Weldon Rougeau's salary until the time he left for school and this was satisfactory since we were using his services to some extent, but I note that salaries and expenses for Judy Benninger and Patricia Due are still being charged to the VEP account, and we very clearly have not approved any program for CORE in Florida and we specifically rejected any grant for Tallahassee, as you seem to have already understood by your letter to me of April 13.

Will you please let me know at once why these expenses have been charged to your VEP account.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:bs

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June 16, 1964

Mrs. Jenie Williams
Congress of Racial Equality
38 Park Row
New York 38, N.Y.

Dear Mrs. Williams:

Thank you for the recent financial reporting.

I am returning your May bank statement for your files.

Sincerely,

Jean Levine
Fiscal Assistant

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4-10

July 1, 1964

Mr. Marvin Rich
Congress of Racial Equality
38 Park Row
New York 38, New York

Dear Marvin:

This will confirm our recent telephone conversation in which I agreed that CORE could pay the salary of Patricia Stephens Due from your VEP grant retroactive to June 3, 1964 and continuing for an indefinite period for as long as she is working actively in your Florida voter registration program.

We will shortly get a letter off to you regarding the final phase of your VEP program and will take Mrs. Due's salary into consideration in making the grant.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

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June 26, 1964

Mr. Wiley Branton
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Wiley:

As you know, we have been swamped in CORE for the past week. It doesn't seem that we will ever get our heads above water. However, I do want to request that CORE continue to receive the grants which it has received for South Carolina and Louisiana. Also, as I indicated in previous letters and several phone conversations we would appreciate receiving reimbursement for the salary of Patricia Stephens Due as of June 3rd until the program expires in October.

I will write you a more expanded letter giving details of our program when I return from Kansas City. Enclosed is a press release about an incident in St. Francisville, Louisiana.

Cordially,

Marv

Marvin Rich

MR/jj
Enc.

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JUN 29 1964

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

ATTN: Marvin Rich and Jim Peck

SEEK ARREST OF EX-SHERIFF WHO SLASHED CIVIL RIGHTS WORKER

St. Francisville, La., June 25--A warrant has been sworn-out for the arrest of Teddy Martin, a former sheriff, who slashed at Bob Hurwitt, a CORE Task Force worker as he accompanied a group of Negroes to register at the courthouse. Martin later shot at the group as they emerged.

It was the first day in over three months that the registration office had been open. The office had been closed rather than comply with a federal court decision against discriminatory literacy tests. On that day and the following day, six Negroes were registered.

This was the courthouse where last October, Rev. Joseph Carter became the first Negro to register in West Feliciana Parish since 1902.

In East Feliciana Parish, where the registration office also had been closed for over three months, four Negroes registered during the first two days. On the first day, Jim Van Matre, a CORE Task Force Worker was assaulted by a group of whites outside the registration office in Clinton.

In Monroe, in the northern part of the state, five voter registration workers were arrested on charges of soliciting, vagrancy and disorderly conduct. Three of them subsequently were released and the other two are out on bail.

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July 15, 1964

Mr. Marvin Rich
Congress of Racial Equality
38 Park Row
New York 38, New York

RE: VEM 4-10

Dear Marvin:

After talking with you on the phone today I checked with Jean Levine and she confirmed my suspicion about CORE owes us some financial accounting. Our records show that you have a balance on hand of $3,233.42. Upon receipt of additional accounting to justify to sending additional funds at this time, we will be pleased to process a check for you.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:bs

4-10

July 21, 1964

Mr. Marvin Rich
Congress of Racial Equality
38 Park Row
New York 38, New York

RE: VEP 4-10

Dear Marvin:

I am enclosing herein our VEP check in the amount of $10,000, representing payment in full of a supplemental grant to VEP 4-10 program for the period July 1 through September 30, 1964. We are allocating $7,000 of this grant for work in Louisiana, $2,000 for South Carolina, and $1,000 for Florida.

The money for South Carolina is being given for salaries for the Messrs. Robinson and Brown and for their expenses. The $1,000 for Florida is for salary only for Patricia S. Due. Any funds from this grant not needed for the particular purpose in one area may be diverted to a VEP approved program in another area.

We know that the books will be closed in Louisiana for almost two months and we need to get some better idea as to the exact nature of your program during this two-month period, and also a complete designation of the parishes in which you intend to carry on active registration programs between now and September 30.

I wish to remind you that we have not received the Louisiana reports for May and June.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:bs
Encl. $10,000 check

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September 9, 1964

Mr. Wiley Branton
Voter Education Project
5 Forsythe Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Wiley:

The figures for South Carolina for the month of August were 2,744. I continue to be pleased with their performance. The northern Florida figure is also good, 2,747, while Louisiana is only 283.

After allowing for the money in northern Virginia, we have only $500 left in the VEP account. We will have to make the payroll of September 9, 23, and October 7. This will come to just a trifle over $4,000. Would you send us a supplemental grant to cover these expenses? We need it.

Cordially,

Marvin Rich

Marvin Rich
Community Relations Director

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VEP 4-10

September 18, 1964

Mr. Marvin Rich
CORE
38 Park Row
New York 38, New York

RE: VEP 4-10

Dear Marvin:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of September 9 in which you request a supplemental grant in the amount of $4,000. The reason for the delay was due to the fact that for the first time, VEP found itself hard-pressed for funds and we had to wait until we got additional money. Our check in the amount of $4,000 is enclosed herein, and it appears that this will be the last money that VEP will be able to give you, as our program is definitely ending in so far as financial assistance to agencies is concerned.

I would suggest that you begin to phase out your Louisiana operations where VEP is concerned, but I understand that you have a separate program involving another foundation. We would certainly appreciate getting some information from you regarding your non-VEP registration activities in Louisiana and Florida.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:bs
Encl: $4,000 check

IT IS LATER THAN YOU THINK!

NOW IS THE TIME TO

REGISTER TO VOTE

"A Voteless People Is A Hopeless People"

Registration Books will be located at the following places:

OPA-LOCKA—Mt. Zion A.M.E. Church, 162nd Terrace and 22nd Avenue.
NEAL'S SUPER MARKET—4900 N. W. 27th Avenue.
LIBERTY SQUARE COMMUNITY CENTER—6304 N. W. 14th Avenue.
JAMES E. SCOTT COMMUNITY CENTER—7200 N. W. 22nd Avenue.
HUTCHESON REALTY—5178 N. W. 17th Avenue.
CENTRAL LIFE INSURANCE CO.—178 N. W. 14th Street.
MAYS HIGH SCHOOL—Hainlin Drive, Goulds, Florida.
R. R. MOTON SCHOOL—Homestead Avenue, Perrine.
RICHMOND HEIGHTS—Richmond Drugs, 14638 Lincoln Boulevard.
HOMESTEAD—St. Paul Baptist Church, 4th Street and 4th Avenue, S. W.
COCONUT GROVE—Dew Drop Inn, 3727 Grand Avenue.
WOOD'S GROCERY—3011 N. W. 62nd Street.

March 2nd to 21st Inclusive—9:00 A. M. to 5:00 P. M.
Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays
9:00 A. M. to 9:00 P. M. Tuesdays and Thursdays

QUALIFICATIONS TO REGISTER ARE AS FOLLOWS

Citizen of the United States — Resident of Florida, One Year — Over 21 Years of Age.
Resident of Dade County, Six Months.

IMPORTANT: If your name has been removed from voter registration list for failure to vote during the past two years, you must be reinstated. If your address has been changed recently, you must re-register.

REGISTER TO VOTE FOR FREEDOM — PUBLIC ACCOMMODATIONS — BETTER HOUSING — JOBS — MORE RECREATIONAL FACILITIES — FOR BETTER STREET LIGHTING — WATER. IF YOU ARE SQUAWKING MORE AND ACCOMPLISHING LESS, THEN REGISTER TODAY SO THAT YOU CAN VOTE FOR A BETTER TOMORROW.

— THE REGISTRATION BOOKS ARE IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD NOW —

REGISTER BEFORE MARCH 21st

Circulars Courtesy of the

ROOSEVELT SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION, 6015 N. W. 7th Avenue, Miami, Florida

DO YOU WANT TO END SEGREGATION IN PUBLIC ACCOMMODATIONS?

DO YOU WANT BETTER JOBS?

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DO YOU WANT STREET LIGHTS AND SIDE WALKS?

DO YOU WANT BETTER INTEGRATED SCHOOLS?

DO YOU WANT EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUR CHILDREN?

DO YOU WANT COMPLETE FREEDOM NOW?

If You Want These Things

YOU SHOULD BE REGISTERED TO VOTE

NOW YOU CAN REGISTER TO VOTE AT THE FOLLOWING PLACES IN SOUTH DADE

FROM MARCH 2nd TO MARCH 21st

1. RICHMOND HEIGHTS:
   Richmond Heights Drugs, 14638 Lincoln Boulevard
2. PERRINE: R. R. Moton School, 18050 Homestead Avenue.
3. GOULDS AND NARANJA: Mays High School, Hainlin Drive
4. HOMESTEAD AND FLORIDA CITY:
   St. Paul's Baptist Church, 4th Street and 4th Avenue, S. W.
5. SOUTH MIAMI: City Hall — 6130 Sunset Drive

TIME: Monday — Wednesday — Friday and Saturday
From 8:00 a. m. to 5:00 p. m.
Tuesdays and Thursdays
From 8:00 a. m. to 9:00 p. m.

Register to VOTE NOW!

CORE Voter Education Project

THE DAVIS PRINTERY—PHONE FR 9-4922—MIAMI, FLORIDA

CORE Ask • White Citizens Group To Combine Plan

In an open letter revealed here this week, CORE asks that the newly-formed white citizens group combine efforts in a joint voter registration drive in Plaquemine.

The letter, which was signed by the Iberville Voters' League, was addressed as "A Open Letter To All White Citizens Interested In Voter Registration In Iberville Parish."

The letter which was delivered by Spiver Gordon, local CORE member, suggested that the white citizens group join with the Negro group in getting people registered to vote, "regardless of racial identity."

It was brought out in the letter that "We feel that two parallel registration drives in a town as small as Plaquemine constitute an inefficient use of the resources of all concerned."

DRAFT LETTERS

Only last week it was revealed that a white citizens group had been formed here.

Stanley Hebert, tentative chairman of the new group, said this week that letters are being drafted now to area organizations which should be in the mail by the weekend. These letters, he indicated, will ask and encourage the reigstration of all white people as voters between now and the next election.

A spokesman for the white citizens group Tuesday night said that the organization had not received the letter encouraging the two voter registration groups to pool their resources into one big drive.

Meanwhile a stepped-up voter registration drive by local and area Negroes is apparent.

A check at the registrar of voters office revealed that a steady stream of Negroes have been going to the Court House in an effort to register to vote.

USE COURT ROOM

On the third floor of the Court House, where the voter registrar's office is located, Negroes have been seen awaiting their turn to take the necessary tests to become a registered voter.

Those waiting their turn to register have been using a section of the court room across from the voter registration office. Some of the Negroes are apparently being schooled by CORE officials in the "makeshift" headquarters on the answers to the registrar's test.

And, also apparent, is the absence of signs indicating "white" or "colored" drinking fountains and segregated rest rooms on the third floor.

PICKETS CONTINUE

No official prediction has come from city officials on whether a bi-racial committee will be formed locally.

CORE has indicated that picketing of Food Town and West Brothers is to be continued, also. At each store, two pickets are seen carrying their signs during business hours. The local city council limited the number of pickets at one business establishment to two at a recent meeting here.

CORE has stated that picketing will be continued until a bi-racial committee is formed here.

J. Gerald Berrett, custodian of the Court House, said that he was not aware that the signs had been removed on the third floor. He stated that, if they were gone, they would be replaced.

The letter submitted to The Iberville South Tuesday reads as follows:

Committee On Registration Education
306 Ivey Street
Plaquemine, Louisiana
July 22, 1963

A OPEN LETTER TO ALL WHITE CITIZENS INTERESTED IN VOTER REGISTRATION IN IBERVILLE PARISH

We read with great interest of your projected voter-registration campaign. We enthusiastically endorse your objectives, for we believe that it is every American's right and duty to register and vote. As you may know, we have already begun a similar campaign here in Plaquemine, and so we have already done much of the preliminary research work which you are just beginning. We fell that two parallel registration drives in a town as small as Plaquemine constitute an inefficient use of the resources of all concerned. We believe that the unregistered people of Plaquemine could be more successfully registered if all the interested organizations combined their efforts. Therefore, we invite you to join us in encouraging all the people of this town and parish to register and vote, regardless of racial identity. Our oganizations have had a varied and interesting history of voter-registration activity in the South, and we believe that our experience can be used constructively here in Plaquemine for the benefit of all. It is our hope that you will want to join us in a successful campaign of registration in all of Plaquemine and Iberville Parish. You can reach us at the above address to discuss further cooperation.

Sincerely,
Iberville Voters' League
Congress of Racial Equality

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NEGROES STAND ARMED GUARD

Those Involved in Vote Registration Tries Are Alarmed

BY JACK OWENS
Associated Press Writer

ST. FRANCISVILLE, Oct. 20 — Alarmed by bullets and beatings, Negroes involved in voter registration attempts here stood armed guard at their homes Saunday night.

Frank Dunbaugh, a Justice, Department representative, said three incidents involving shotgun or pistol shots were reported and one Negro who tried to register as a voter was beaten with a shotgun.

Probe Under Way

Dunbaugh said investigation was inder way to see if civil rights violations were involved in the West Feliciana Parish incidents.

Two Negroes James A. Payne, 44, and Johnny Hamilton, 67, told Dunbaugh they were forced to promise they wpul not return to St. Francisville to try to register.

The Congress of Racial Equality has been pushing a voter registration drive in the state's Sixth Congressional District, which covers West Feliciana and 11 other parishes.

First Voter's

The first Negro voters since Reconstruction were registered here this week despite threats and tension at the parish courthouse.

Ronnie Moore, a CORE field secretary, said the rural parish resembles an armed camp and "Negroes have vowed to shoot on sight any white face which appears on their property after dark."

In a telegram to Justice Department officials in Washington, Moore said that "unless Negro citizens are protected and their civil rights guaranteed, blood both black and white will be shed. . ."

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LETTERS OF THANKS AND CONGRATULATIONS

I Thanks for helping to get the registration books in eleven areas in the county.

1. Mr. Seymour Samet-American Jewish Committee- 1208 Congress Bldg., Miami

2. Dr. John O. Brown- 1100 N.W. 61 Street- Miami

3. Most Reverend Coleman F. Carroll- Bishop of South Florida
6301 Biscayne Boulevard- Miami

4. Mr. Luther C. Pierce- Greater Miami Council of Churches
309 Huntington Bldg., Miami

5. Mr. Neal Adams- 2956 N.W. 48 Street- Miami

6. Mr. William Baggs- The Miami News- 1001 N.W. 7 Street- Miami

II Persons who gave and offered office space

1. Mr. George Davidson- 4812 N.E. 2 Avenue- Miami
(Gave office space in Richmond Heights)
2. Mr. Luther L. Brooks- Bonded Rental Agency- 4150 N.W. 7 Ave., Miami
(Gave office space in Coconut Grove)

3. Mr. Sumner Hutchesen- 5178 N.W. 17 Avenue- Miami
(Offered space but we did not use it.)

4. Atty. Burnett Roth- 420 Lincoln Road-Rm. 329- Miami Beach, Fla.

III Donation

1. Mr. Samuel Kipnis- Dupont Plaza Hotel- Miami
($200 for drive)

IV General Help

1. Mr. Max Karl- National Conference of Christians and Jews,Inc.,
305 Calumet Bldg., Miami
(Gave names of many helpful contacts)

2. Mrs. Jane Robinson- B'Nai B'Rith Youth Organization- 309 Calumet Bldg., Miami
(Was helpful in getting youth participation as Director.)

Letters Cont'd

V Community Workers (Canvassers, etc.)

1. Mr. A.D. Moore- Miami CORE- 178 N.W. 14 Street- Miami
(Thanks for the cooperation of the chapter in drive.)

2. Mr. Frank Reed- Perrine Improvement Association- 10338 S.W. 172 St., Perrine, Florida
(Thanks for helping me in overall county drive and congratulations for the fine job the organization did in Perrine.)

3. Randolph Williams- 402 S.W. 6 Street- Homestead, Florida
(Congratulations for the fine job they did in Homestead and thanks for their help.)

4. Mrs. Queen Armstrong- 14440 Tyler Street- Richmond Heights, Florida
(Thanks and congratulations for their effort in Richmond Heights.)

5. Miss Roberta Goldfarb- B'Nai B'Rith Youth Organization- Voter Registration Committee- 309 Calumet Bldg., Miami
(Thanks to the voter registration committee which canvassed so diligently.)

6. Mr. Alvin Bryant- 11370 S.W. 220 Street- Goulds, Florida
(Thanks and congratulations for the fine job done in Goulds by Mr. Bryant, P.T.A., and BoyScouts.)

7. Mrs. Ruth Fountain- 26672 S.W. 137 Ct., Naranja, Florida
(Thanks and congratulations for work done in Naranja)

8. Miss Shirley Oliver- 10430 S.W. 183 Street- Perrine, Florida
(Thanks for the canvassing done by the Mays High School Student Council)
Outstanding worker

9. Miss Alice Carey- 10201 S.W. 170 Terrace- Perrine, Florida
(Outstanding worker)

10. Miss Wietha Cooper- 10140 S.W. 170 Terrace- Perrine, Florida
(Outsatnding worker)

Report from Kingstree 4-2-63

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RTBV

Dear Mr. McCain:

When we arrived in Kingstree, There were 170 persons in line, at 9.05 A.M. from 9 to 1. We counted 218 persons in line waiting to register. The first person took 48 min. The second took 45 min. others 18 to 35 min. each. person was interrived as they came out. They explained they were left alone sitting there while register held a conference in other room. most of them were tay payers. Some were told they still had to fill out registration blanks. Other tecknigues were used ect. out of 218 persons waiting to register. 11 entered 9 registered 2 failed. One failed held receipts of $790 in value of real estate. intimidation by police officers driving close to persons waiting in line, a few other cars did likewise, No side walk to stand on.

Respectfully

Frank D. Robinson

WB-
JM ✓
RB ✓

FROM: Ronnie M. Moore, CORE's VEA Agent in Louisiana

TO: Wiley Branton, Voter Education Project
Jim McCain, Congress of Racial Equality (CORE)

RE: VEP Report for June 1963 in Louisiana

In early June, the registrar in Iberville Parish, Ella Billings, attempted to purge the registration roll of its 2,700 registered Negro voters by requiring all registered persons to come to the registrar's office and verify the fact that the recorded name and/or address had not been changed in the past year.

Developing local support through the Iberville Industrial Voter's League, we distributed over 1,500 copies of the enclosed circular and managed to stampede the registrar's office with 500 persons within a five day period which persuaded the registrar to require calls to her office instead. Because of this development, we concentrated primarily in Iberville Parish and have not lost any voters. We hope.

Because CORE is planning to bring forty volunteers to Louisiana for promoting extensive voter registration in seven parishes, Spiver and I went to Tangipahoa, St. Helena, East Baton Rouge, West Feliciana, East Feliciana, and Pointe Coupee Parishes to make food and housing arrangements, and geographical, social, economic and political surveys. We managed to get a few residents of these areas to apply for voter registration and in East Baton Rouge, East Feliciana and Pointe Coupee Parishes, some were successful.

CORE has Task Force Workers Spiver Gordon, Negro of Plaquemine, La., David Leonard, white, and Roselyn Leonard, Negro of Berkeley Calif., assisting me in voter registration and laying the ground work for the summer project.

By September 1963, I hope to leave the parishes mentioned and go to other parishes where large gains in Negro registration may be possible.

At present, CORE plans to keep its VEP main office located at 306 Ivey Street, Plaquemine, La., Room #2.

IBERVILLE INDUSTRIAL VOTERS LEAGUE INC.

1900 HAASE STREET

JUNE 16, 1963

A direct appeal to all registered voters. Who have had the name of their street change and also their address.

Dear First Class Citizens:

This is to inform you that due to the change of the name of your street and address your voting rights will be taken away if you do not take steps in getting the following information to the registrar of voters today.

1. Name
2. Address (Your New Address)

The re gistrar of voters office is in the court house building, third floor Plaquemine, La. The office hours are as follow:

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.8 A. M. - 4:30 P. M.

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17 Robinson ST
Sumter, S.C.
8-4-63

Dear Mr. Wiley Branton, + Mr. Blackwell:-

I have visited Charleston chapter of Voter league, Making speaches and Organizing door To door Campaign, and This is only when I am asked To appear aT various churches and program's, However I Won'T geT any credit for This. quite often we are asked To come in To an area To help Them seT up a work shop. Now we do hope some of These are over now.

Now a Brief sTaTement of Williamsburg County as of last month, as you Know There have never been over 16 Negro's To enter The Registration office, 12 Person's The ToTal for any one day. Now 20 or more can enter aT one Time. For The Past 90 day's more Than 100 persons each month appear TO register, 96 entered The Building last month 65 Registered

31 failed, some have filed a complant with the board of registration They are asking that the Registra re-consider their application, all person's could not get in the first day.

The complants from Williamsburg County citizens to the justice Dept. brought about an investigation, and that caused quite a bit of publicity.

Respectfully

Frank B. Robinson

This is a duplicate copy of the letter I received from the Board of National Missions of the United Presbyterian Church in the United States of America. Dated July 26-63

Dear Mr. Robinson:

On behalf of the Institute for Ministers at Johnson C. Smith University and the Board of National Missions. I want to express to you our deep gratitude for the way in which you so meaningfully contributed to the spirit and content of our institute. The day you spent with us was of great significance to the pupose of the institute and we are indebted to you for leaving the scene of the battle for a day to share with us in this training experience.

Thank you very much.

Very cordally yours

G. Daniel Little

Associate Director, Dpt. Urban Church

Jack Minnis

17 Robinson ST
Sumter, S.C.
8-11-63

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Report from Sumter Voter Registration Office.

We have visited Georgetown, Kingstree Florence, Darlington. Hartsville, Spartenburg Rock Hill, Union, Camden, Lee County: To set up Groups to work on door to door drive, To use as many students as possible To start working and organizing Groups To work with adult's Group. It seem To be more interest in youth as of now. We have seen it work in other area's. Making Sunday Speaches over The State. Making contact with Ministers and bayman To join in a voter Registration drive seting up centers To work weekly in each community, asking all churches in a given area To work Together in This drive, and Talking with Registra. To bring book To The Community, so The working man can registra at night. So far we have received (3-5)

a warm reception so far. They seem to think that it may work. In Spartenburg the Registra has given 40 Blanks to us to give out in the community where people can't get of from work, take home and fill out and bring them back. just sign their names. They have two students, who are working with us, can go in and assist Negro's in filling out applications. and aid persons coming down to register and also copy their numbers off registration certificate.

Respectfully

Frank Robinson

62 Robinson ST
Sumter, S.C
8-11-63

Report from Williamsburg.

Last month There have been 168 persons attempting To register, 96 entered, 65 Registered 31 Turned down for Various reasons, 72 Turned away. OUT of The 31 Turned down Some signed affidates To pertest To The Registor To reconsider Their application. The Most people I have Talked with agreeded That They have been Some changes, but not enough, They are planing more action. until Register agree To Keep poll's open until all person's present The first Monday in each Month Register by opening Next day. as many as 20 or more person's can enter The hall, but only Two can register at Some Time They feel at least 15 can register at Some Time. They have not heard from The Register as yet. hope That This can be worked out.

Respectfully.
Frank Rotmar

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NOTE : TO JIM MCCAIN

For a few days, we surveyed Plaquemine and St. Bernard Parishes, and we found these parishes to be in the same situation as East and West Feliciana parishes. Due to the rigid nature of Louisiana literacy test, I suggest that CORE do not work the parishes of extreme fear and great illiteracy.

However, on the 10th and 11th of August, I have been invited to a statewide conference separately sponsored by SCLC in Lake Charles and Rev. Avery Alexander in Baton Rouge on voter registration. I'll submit CORE's findings on voter registration and in late August I'll forward to you a list of parishes where voter registration gains are possible.

Ronnie Moore

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AUGUST 24, 1963

FREEDOM RALLY PROGRAM

Sponsored by the Voters Registration Committee----------
----------Master of Ceremonies L.Harvey

Welcome Address----------Miss Linda Marie Harvey

Song----------

Prayer----------Rev. L.L.Lucien, Pastor St. James A.M.E. Church

Speaker----------Rev.R.L.Walker.President of the Interdenominational Ministers Alliance

Speaker----------Mr.Claude McGee,President of the P.D.L.

Song----------

Youth Crusade----------Mr.Robert Addison

Voters Registration---------Mr. Galway Kinnell

Guest Speaker---------- Mr. Rudy Lombord
National Vice Chariman of CORE

COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

Chairman of Citizen Attendance----------Mr.Oliver Wells

Chairmen of Seating----------Mr. M.G. Moore

Chairman of Public Address System-------Mr.Fred Clark

Song Leader!----------Ruthie Wells

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THE HAMMOND VOTER REGISTRATION COMMITTEE URGES YOU TO

REGISTER NOW

YOUR VOTE CAN HELP YOU GET:

- PAVED STREETS
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- FREEDOM AND EQUALITY

The Voter Registration Drive Is Supported by the Leaders of Your Community:

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Rev. Earnest Carter
Fred Clark
Rev. J. H. Cook
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Rev. Herbert Garner
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Ed Jones
Rev. L. L. Lucien
Rev. Monroe McGee
Claude McGee
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M. C. Moore
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Alfred Reed
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Oliver Wells Sr.

--The Hammond Voter Registration Committee

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Breaking church windows brings FBI to find case already solved locally

Vandalism is generally a local matter but last week the FBI was assigned by the Justice department to investigate an East Feliciana window-breaking spree because the windows were all in two Negro churches.

When FBI agents walked into the office of Dist. Atty. Richard Kilbourne to begin their investigation with whatever leads the D. A. might have, they were told the matter had been investigated by local authorities, the culprits had been arrested and that the destroyed property would be replaced.

One of the churches was Mt. Pilgrim Baptist on Liberty street in Clinton where the Congress of Racial Equality ("CORE") held a meeting recently. The other was a Baptist church in Jackson.

Breaking a case usually gives an officer a feeling of pride and accomplishment but there was considerable less of such feeling in this case because the officer, Jackson Marshal Hardy Travis, determined that the culprits included his two sons, George, 18, and Eugene, 19, in addition to Jo-Jo Swartz, 19, and a juvenile delinquent.

The four were charged with simple criminal damage to property and will be tried locally, Kilbourne told the FBI men. He also said the youths have promised to make restitution to the two churches.

TO FEDERAL COURT

CORE (Congress of Racial Equality) this week asked federal district court to take over from state district court a case in which the town of Clinton and East Feliciana parish obtained a restraining order against "demonstrations."

Effect of the petition was to stop hearing on a proposed injunction against the group until federal court rules whether it will accept the case. Federal Dist. Judge E. Gordon West is on vacation this week.

The petition stated that CORE could not get a fair hearing before Dist. Judge John Rarick in a "segregated" courtroom.

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VOTER REGISTRATION REPORT ON DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

PREPARATIONS FOR A COUNTY- WIDE VOTER REGISTRATION DRIVE INVOLVING MOST COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS BEGAN ON JULY 8 AND INITIAL STEPS WERE TAKEN TO CONTACT LEADERS FROM THE NEGRO AND WHITE COMMUNITIES AT THAT TIME.

THE INTENSIFIED PORTION OF THE DRIVE IS SCHEDULED TO LAST UNTIL OCTOBER 5, WHEN THE REGISTRATION BOOKS ARE EXPECTED TO CLOSE FOR THE NOVEMBER 5 ELECTION. OUR GOAL IS TO GET AT LEAST 40,000 AS THE NUMBER OF REGISTERED NEGROES IN THE COUNTY.

OUR AREAS OF CONCENTRATION ARE NORTH MIAMI BEACH, OPA-LOCKA, LIBERTY CITY, BROWN'S SUB, DOWNTOWN MIAMI, COCONUT GROVE, RICHMOND HEIGHTS, GOULDS, PERRINE, AND HOMESTEAD. MY MAIN PURPOSE IN EACH COMMUNITY HAS BEEN TO GET EXISTING ORGANIZATIONS TO GET ACTIVE AND BEGIN ASSUMING THE RESPONSIBILITIES FOR ENGINEERING THEIR PHASE OF THE DRIVE IN THEIR COMMUNITY.

THE ORGANIZATIONS CONTACTED TO HELP GENERATE AN ADULT- YOUTH EFFORT ARE THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS, THE NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF CHRISTIANS AND JEWS, THE B'NAI B'RITH YOUTH ORGANIZATION, THE AMERICAN JEWISH COMMITTEE, THE GREATER MIAMI COUNCIL OF CHURCHES, THE FLORIDA LABOR COUNCIL, CORE, NAACP, COMMUNITY RELATIONS COUNCIL OF DADE COUNTY, THE WOMEN'S INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE FOR PEACE, AND SEVERAL OTHER ORGANIZATIONS FROM THE COMMUNTIY. EACH PLEDGED TO HELP IN WHICHEVER WAY IT COULD.

THE YOUTH ORGANIZATIONS INVOLVED ARE TAKING CARE OF ALL CANVASSING BEING CONDUCTED IN EACH COMMUNITY. AS THEY CANVASS, THEY MAKE RECORDS OF REGISTERED AND UNREGISTERED NEGROES. THESE ARE THEN RECONTACTED TO GO AND REGISTER.

THERE ARE TWO TASK FORCE WORKERS HELPING ME IN THE DRIVE AND ONE IS SCHEDULED TO RETURN TO SCHOOL ON THE 7TH OF SEPTEMBER. THE OTHER WILL WORK UNTIL OCTOBER 5. BOTH OF THEM HAVE DONE A COMMENDABLE JOB FOR THE SHORT TIME THEY HAVE BEEN WORKING WITH ME.

THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT HAS BEEN APPROACHED THROUGH THE HELP OF BISHOP COLEMAN F. CARROLL (CATHOLIC), WHO IS CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMUNITY RELATIONS BORAD OF DADE COUNTY(AN ADVISORY BODY OF THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT) AND HAS PROMISED TO PLACE THE REGISTRATION BOOKS IN ALL OF THE AFOREMENTIONED AREAS OF CONCENTRATION FROM SEPTEMBER 5 TO OCTOBER 5 WITH NEGROES BEING HIRED AS DEPUTY REGISTRARS IN EACH AREA. I HOPE THE COUNTY STICKS TO ITS PROMISE MADE ON MY RECOMMENDATION OF PREFERRED LOCATIONS FOR THE DRIVE.

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IN MANY WAYS THIS IS NOT AN OPPORTUNED TIME FOR A REGISTRATION DRIVE DUE TO THE LACK OF POLITICAL APPEAL IN THE UPCOMING ELECTION. HOWEVER, I STILL BELIEVE THAT WITH A CONCERTED EFFORT WE CAN OBTAIN SIGNIFICANT RESULTS. I HOPE WE ARE ABLE TO HAVE A BANNER DRIVE.

THE PEOPLE HAVE BEEN VERY RECEPTIVE TOWARDS THE DRIVE BUT RATHER APPREHENSIVE ABOUT WORKING. THIS IS THE TIME WHEN THEY FEEL THE STUDENTS SHOULD DO THE HARD WORK. HOWEVER, I REMAIN VERY OPTIMISTIC ABOUT THE RESULTS OF THE DRIVE; I GUESS WHEN ONE IS COMMITTED TO THIS LINE OF DUTY, OPTIMISM MUST BE PREVALENT FOR ENCOURAGEMENT.

THIS CONCLUDES MY REPORT ON MY ACTIVITIES IN DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA. IF THERE ARE ANY QUESTIONS YOU DESIRE ANSWERED, PLEASE NOTIFY ME AS SOON AS YOU DESIRE THOSE QUESTIONS ANSWERED. I REGRET BEING LATE IN FILING THIS REPORT TO YOU, BUT MY WORK IN THE FIELD MUST RECEIVE PRIORITY OVER ALL REPORTS.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED THIS SECOND DAY OF SEPEMBER, 1963.

WELDON J. ROUGEAU

cc: MARVIN RICH

(File)

17 Robinson St.
Hunter, N.C.
9-7-63

Dear Mr. James McCain,

We are working in Rockhill, N.C. Will remain 2 weeks. We are having trouble with registration by not opening the door they agree to open. They did not open the day after Labor Day or the next day. So we had to inform the people to change. So the community leaders met with the Board and they agreed to open on the 10th. So we infarm the people of the next day. We received a call that they will open on the 16th of that month. Then again we had to infarm the people. We pass out flyers infarming the people of just what happen. We have had trouble in Williamsburg, Hunter, Lee County as well. Registrar have not infarm people of these changes.

9-7-63

I have not been able to make any contact in other areas to see whether or not they are having the same trouble. We are forming committee to inform the people of these changes. Williamsburg County Citizens met last week, to file a suit with the registration board. Will inform you later of what happen. They have also have had a mob violence there last Sat. night while we were making plans to have a mass stand in at the registration books the following monday. Several cars have been shot up, Negro man shot, shot in homes, Negroes beaten with gun barrels, with a mob of 25 white persons - Deputy magistrate were charge with the crime, being held on one thousand bond.

9-7-63

We have not been able to find out what cause the trouble. We have had mass meetings in that area for registration drives. Mr. Demery call in the F.B.I. to make this investigation. Some of our project as of now getting a person as of every street to be responsible for registering persons + take them to the registration office.

Respectifully Yours,
F. B. Robinson

4519 N.W. 15 Avenue
Miami, Florida (33142)
September 7, 1963

Mr. James T. McCain
Congress of Racial Equality
38 Park Row
New York, New York(10038)

Dear Jim:

Enclosed is the VEP report for the month of August; I'm sorry it is late. Lately, I've been pushed very hard because of the short time left for registration. Things are much better than they were last week.

The County Commission has approved the locations for the registration books that I suggested be placed in the Negro areas . We will have ten sub-stations in the county for the convenience of the people where we are working. I might add that this is the first time the registration books have been placed in the south end of the county.

The areas I mentioned above will open on September 16 and remain opened until September 28. The county has hired Negro ladies to serve as Deputy Registrars in these areas. Two will be at each place.

The local organizations and individuals have responded very well and in practically every area that I have set up youth groups, the adults have agreed to handle their community's phase of the drive. This is very good to me because I believe they should be the ones to conduct the drive.

As you know it is hard to ascertain how many people we are going to register in these two weeks, but I feel certainwe can register at least 5,000 with just limited community participation.

Well Jim, I will close for now. If you have any questions to answer, don't neglectto notify me.

Faithfully,

Welden J. Rougeau

FIELD REPORT SEP 12 1963

2nd copy Jim

To many persons, our summer task force program has ended. However, I am thankful that CORE has agreed to keep 14 full time workers in Louisiana until at least November 7, 1963.

Also at present as a result of our past long range voter registration activities, we are in the process of organizing the South Congressional District Voters Association of Louisiana.

We'll be working primarily for the next ten weeks in eleven Parishes namely: St,Landry, Avoylles, St. Bernald, Plaquemine, Pointe Coupee, Tangipahoa, West Baton Rouge, Iberville, St. Helena, East Feliciana, and West Feliciana.

However, we reserve the right to work in other liberal parishes where large voter registration gains may be possible. On conjunction with the Southern Christian Leadership Conference providing more task force workers, we plan to coordinate activities in additional parishes to the eleven named.

West Baton Rouge

The attitude of registrar has changed slightly. His wife molested CORE's summer task force worker with a shoe. His name was Charlie Martin. He was arrested for disturbing the peace because he was escorting Negroes to the registrar's office following his shoe beating. CORE posted $500.00 bond to get him released from jail.

We shall continue to work in this Parish.

Complaints filed with the U.S. Dept. of Justice.

East Feliciana Parish

I am enclosing an artical from the local newspaper relating vandalism against the two Negro Churches. Several person have been fired from their jobs.

Parish officials are seeking a state injunction against CORE carry on voter registration efforts.

The sheriff and district attorney are interviewing all voter appliciants with a taperecorder before they are allowed to attempt to register.

Core posted $2,000.00 bond to get CORE task workers MikeLesser released from jail. He was arrested for disturbing the peace because he was escorting Negroes to the registrar's office.

Core worker, Bill Brown, was arrested for speeding and bond of $150.00 to get him released from jail.

Complaints filed with the U.S. Dept. of Justice.

West Feliciana Parish

After months of conferences, we managed to get two Negro ministers to attempt to register to vote. Namely: Rev. Rudolph Davis, and Rev. Joseph Carter.

Rev. Davis left when he was told by the registrar that he needed two registered voters to identify him as required by Louisiana law. Although there are no Negroes registered in West Feliciana.

Rev. Carter inquired why was the identification necessary. At this point, sheriff branded him as a smart nigger and arredted him as disturbing the peace. Core posted immediately a $200.00

cash bond for him to be released.

We filed complaints with the U.S. Dept. of Justice in regard to Louisiana identification law an intimidation to deny Negroes the right to vote and also protesting the arrest of Rev. Carter.

We plan more action on voter registration.

Pointe Coupee

The registrar seems to be turning Negroes down on the basis of arbitration. He is very nice and courteous but must meet his quota. Negroes are fearful particulary around Innis, La.

However, geographical location make transportation a problem.

Nevertheless, we think that registration gains can be made in this parish.

East Baton Rouge

As Mr. Brenton suggested to NAACP work in East Baton Rouge, we are moving our task force workers out of September 1, 1963.

I think that CORE should move out, because I don't believe that Jonnie Jones was a good selection as chairman. I'll keep my reasons.

Iberville Parish

Due to direct action and state interference, the registrar has become a sister of a businesswoman in turning Negroes down. However, we anticipate favorable future gains in voter registration because Negroes are angry at enforcement officials, because of the use of horses, horses, and cattle prods against demonstration .

The church destroyed was the of CORE's voter registration activities and demonstrations.

Tangipahoa Parish

To indicate a change in community spirit toward CORE and voter registration,we are enclosing a program and a printed circular. We anticipate future favorable results. However, the registrar is a son of a businessman as you can see from our complaints.

There is a CORE chapter in the making which has just sponsored an antisegregation demonstration of 250 participated. We have good community organization and leadership, and we expert now in contract with past good future.

St. Helena Parish

Besides fear, ignorance, illiteracy, and apathy as in nearly every parish, the registrar is a unique manipulator of Louisiana tenhniques of discrimination. As you obviously observe from the past, he is excellent at turning Negroes down 4-1.

We must continue to do limited work in the parish.

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The Educational Rating Of Persons Denied The Right To vote InLouisiana.

Source: Complaints already filed with the United States Department of Justice before August 31, 1963.

From: Ronnie Moore, CORE Field Secretary For Voter Registration in Louisiana.

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The Educational Ratings of Persons Denied The Right To Vote In Louisiana.

Parish----------Pointe Coupee

4 applicants had 5 years of schooling.
1 applicantshad 6 years of schooling.
7 applicants had 7 years of schooling.
5 applicants had 8 years of schooling.
3 applicants had 9 years of schooling.
3 applicants had 10 years of schooling.
1 applicant had 11 years of schooling.
2 applicants had 12 years of schooling.
1 applicant had 15 years of schooling.
1 applinant had 16 years of schooling.

Parish----------St. Helena

1 applicant had 2 years of schooling.
3 applicants had 3 years of schooling.
15 applicants had 4 years of schooling.
15 applicants had 5 years of schooling.
23 applicants had 6 years of schooling.
24 applicants had 7 years of schooling.
15 applicants had 8 years of schooling.
12 applicants had 9 years of schooling.
7 applicants had 10 years of schooling.
4 applicants had 11 years of schooling.
28 applicants had 12 years of schooling.
2 applicants had 13 years of schooling.
2 applicants had 14 years of schooling.
1 applicant had 15 years of schooling.
3 applicants had 16 years of schooling.

Parish----------Iberville

1 applicant had 2 years of schooling.
4 applicants had 3 years of schooling.
8 applicants had 4 years of schooling.
7 applicants had 5 years of schooling.
9 applicants had 6 years of schooling.
15 applicants had 7 years of schooling.
8 applicants had 8 years of schooling.
7 applicants had 9 years of schooling.
9 applicants had 10 years of schooling.
9 applicants had 11 years of schooling.
26 applicants had 12 years of schooling.
1 applicant had 13 years of schooling.
1 applicant had 14 years of schooling.
2 applicants had 16 years of schooling.

Parish----------East Feliciana

8 applicants had 4 years of schooling.
3 applicants had 5 years of schooling.
36 applicants had 6 years of schooling.
11 applicants had 7 years of schooling.
33 applicants had 8 years of schooling.
16 applicants had 9 years of schooling.
15 applicants had 10 years of schooling.
26 applicants had 11 years of schooling.
44 applicants had 12 years of schooling.
3 applicants had 13 years of schooling.
4 applicants had 14 years of schooling.
10 applicants had 16 years of schooling.
4 applicants had 19 years of schooling.

Parish----------Tangipahoa

2 applicants had 4 years of schooling.
2 applicants had 5 years of schooling.
5 applicants had 6 years of schooling.
4 applicants had 8 years of schooling.
3 applicants had 9 years of schooling.
5 applicants had 10 years of schooling.
2 applicants had 11 years of schooling.
13 applicants had 12 years of schooling.
1 applicant had 13 years of schooling.
2 applicants had 14 years of schooling.
1 applicant had 15 years of schooling.

Parish----------West Baton Rouge

1 applicant had 4 years of schooling.
2 applicant had 5 years of schooling.
3 applicants had 6 years of schooling.
2 applicants had 7 years of schooling.
6 applicants had 8 years of schooling.
3 applicants had 9 years of schooling.
3 applicants had 10 years of schooling.
2 applicants had 11 years of schooling.
3 applicants had 12 years of schooling.

Pointe Coupee--------25 applicants
St. Helena----------155 "
Iberville----------107 applicants
East Feliciana-----203 "
Tangipahoa----------46 applicants
West Baton Rouge-----26 applicants

Total 562 applicants

OCT 11 1963

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Return to Jim
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CORE-VEP PROGRESS REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER

DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA.... The month of September proved to be a productive one for voter registration here. Through a community effort we were able to add 5, 593 persons on the registration rolls.

The highlight of the drive was from September 16 to September 28. During that time, we registered 5,567 persons. Of that total approximately 100 were whites.

II

Registration was conducted in eleven predominately Negro areas which had sub-stations placed in them by the county for the convenience of the people living in these areas. The areas were: Homestead, Goulds, Perrine, Richmond Heights, Coconut Grove, Downtown Miami, Opa-Locka, Brown's Sub, Liberty Square, James E. Scott, and Liberty City(Hutcheson Realty).

These locations were opened from Monday to Saturday, from 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. with the exception of Tuesdays and Thursdays when they remained open until 9:00 P.M. The turnouts on Tuesdays and Thursdays were very heavy despite rain in some areas.

The personnel for these sub-stations came from the eleven areas and were hired by the county. They were all Negroes who were registered voters. In most instances, there was a representation of the two major political parties.

III

The task of getting the sub-stations was not an easy one. Initially, there was considerable opposition because of the nature of the registration drive which was supposed to be in the Negro areas only. Only after I brought the matter up at a meeting with the Catholic Bishop of the Diocese of South Florida did the leadership of the county begin to seriously consider rendering this service to the community.

Several members of the Community Relations Board(Bi-Racial Committee) took the matter before the County Manager. He was very receptive towards this and ask that preferential locations for registration sub-stations be submitted to him by the Board. I was asked to name the locations for this and after I had consulted with residents and leaders I submitted a list of locations for the books to be placed.

The office of the ~~Supervisor~~ SUPERVISOR of Registration was very cooperative with us during the duration of the drive.

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Again, there was the omnipresent problem of getting the organizations in the Negro community to take an active part in the drive. We were given too many promises from the recognized giants in the community. A few organizations did get members to work with us, but the number from these organizations was not representative of the active membership in them.

The organizations that helped were: The National Conference of Christians and Jews, The B'nai B'rith Youth Organization, The Boy Scouts(Goulds), CORE, The League of Women Voters, The Florida Labor Council, several local organizations both youth and adult, and countless individuals who were not direct representatives of organizations.

The difficulty in getting organizations to work together in Dade County represents a very serious problem in the future. The only way I think it can be ameliorated is by more of the leaders becoming active and Dade County is known to be a chasm of complacency when it comes time for the Negro to be active in the area of Civil Rights.

V

In conducting our drive, we were given publicity by the two Negro newspapers, a Negro radio station, and several nightclubs in the county who constantly announced where the registration sub-stations were, the times they were open, and the qualifications for one to register.

In following our publicity phase of our drive, we also had persons to go into churches on Sundays and make announcements about the registration drive and the need for a good showing to insure our getting the books again at a subsequent date or pre-election period. We also had persons going to theatres and making announcements and appealing for help with the drive.

We were able to get the principals of all of the schools in these areas to send memorandums to the parents, make daily announcements about the location of the books in the community, and also instruct the leaders of the student organizations to help in the distribution of leaflets, canvassing, and office work. About 50% of each student body participated in one way or another.

Several weeks before the acquisition of the books, we had persons canvass each area we were anticipating having the books. The information gathered was whether the persons of voting age were registered, their name and address, and telephone number if they had one. Wealso informed them that there was a possibility of getting the books in their community and if

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we were successful, we would inform them of the location, times, and give them transportation to the sub-station if they did not have any.

When we were officially notified that the books would be in the areas we had selected, we had leaflets, posters, and placards printed with the 11 locations, times for registering, qualifications, and reasons why one should register. We distributed over 125,000 leaflets, 1,000 posters, and 1,550 placards. This proved to be very effective in notifying the people we had contacted while canvassing.

Actually, the only part of the drive that we were noticeably weak was in communications and transportation. We did not have the sufficient number of people to man telephones and handle appointments and calls for transportation. I feel that these two in addition to the inclement weather we had, were actually the reasons for not registering more people than we did. With the exception of those things, I would say we were very well organized for the drive. We even had persons boarding busses in the downtown section going to our areas with sub-stations, and while they were on the busses they would make announcements to the effect of registering and that there would be a car pool waiting at a certain bus stop, waiting to take persons desirous of registering to the substation and after registering taking them home. This proved to be very effective.

There were other techniques employed, but I feel reasonably sure that I have named the more successful ones.

VI

In conclusion, the registration office is closed at this writing for the November 5 election. It will reopen on the sixth of the election month. At that time registration will be attempted in only the South Dade County area. There have two new groups formed by a P.T.A. and a group of citizens there and they are very anxious to get more people registered in this area because of the many illiterate migrant workers there. There is a large education ~~campaign~~ campaign to wage there. I might also add that the acquisition of the registration books for Negro areas in South Dade County was unprecedented.

Money continues to be a problem here. CORE does not get enough ~~xx~~ from VEP to amply meet the needs of Dade County when there are so many other areas with vociferous opposition confronting our staff in trying to perform their duties. Therefore, I hope you will be able to include more money or enough money to meet the incessant needs of Dade County-- a county with a population of over one million people.

Respectfully submitted this 10th day of October, 1963.

Weldon J. Rougeau

DADE COUNTY VOTER REGISTRATION DRIVE FROM SEPTEMBER 16 TO SEPTEMBER 28

1. CENTRAL LIFE INSURANCE CO. (MIAMI)**********796

2. Homestead (SOUTH DADE)********** 750

3. BROWN'S SUB (MIAMI)********** 714

4. OPA- LOCKA (NORTH DADE)********** 674

5. LIBERTY SQUARE(MIAMI)********** 580

6. JAMES E. SCOTT HOMES(MIAMI)********** 522

7. PERRINE (SOUTH DADE)********** 405

8. GOULDS (SOUTH DADE)********** 348

9. LIBERTY CITY(MIAMI)********** 297

10. COCONUT GROVE (MIAMI)********** 246

11. RICHMOND HEIGHTS(SOUTH DADE)********** 235

TOTAL********** 5,567

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FIELD REPORT

EAST AND WEST FELICIANA

Dec. 30, 1963 - Jan. 12, 1964

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I. EAST FELICIANA

VEP: After two months of the registrar's office being closed, registration resumes on Thurs., Jan. 16, 1964, and, as a result, CORE's clinics and voter education projects are picking up speed. The VEP Committee of the local CORE chapter is recontacting the over 250 persons who have already tried to register, but were turned down, in addition to setting up clinics in churches and homes in areas still needing concentrated VEP activity. The chapter receives requests daily from different areas of the parish requesting that clinics be set up there to teach the people how to register.

DIRECT ACTION: Apicket action, in support of a boycott of all white merchants in East Feliciana Parish, was run in early December, which resulted in a highly successful boycott throughout the holiday season, and 20 persons in a jail-in that lasted until just before Christmas. Although CORE workers anticipated that white trickery would lure Negroes back into the st ores in early January, the boycott has not waned at all, so that further picketing was deemed unnecessary at the present time.

BOYCOTT: The highly successful boycott has maintained an effectiveness of over 90% ever since it began several months ago. An indication of the effectiveness of the campaign is evident in the trickery employed by the white merchan ts both before and after Christmas to increase sales. Weekly drawings in town, with monetary rewards of up to $100, have lured a number of Negroes to town, but have not substantially increased sales. The boycott is equally successful in Jackson, where there has been no picketing.

In an effort to keep the boycott-breakers home, task force workers and local CORE members thoroughly canvassed the parish, with special attention to rural areas, and with care being ta ken to make sure people understood why they should boycott. The local chapter has also reactivated its transportation committee, which now provides rides to Baton Rouge for those in need.

CHAPTER DEVELOPMENT: The East Feliciana Chapter of CORE is now in the p rocess of being recommended for national affiliation. It is the only civil rights organization in the parish, and is conducting both a successful voter registration drive and a selective buying campaign. In tightening up its structure, the chapter is reactivating its committees. The semi-annual elections are in February.

LEGAL AND OTHER HARRASSMENTS: Recent harrassment maneuvers by the local white power structure indicate that they fear and despise not only the task force workers, but local leaders as well.

Efforts to get Ed Vickery out of jail have indicated that this is not at all to the District Attorney's liking. He reluctantly agreed to take Vic's deposition, but arranged that twelve would have to be taken, and these would be stretched out over several months. The Negro community has rallied behind efforts to bond Vic out on property bond, but here again we have been met with various harrassments. Bond signers are required to have a certificate proving that their property is not mortgaged, and this may take half a day to obtain because of the balky Clerk of Court. Property is taken only at its assessed value, and both husband and wife are required to sign. Fear, especially in older persons, also presents a problem.

Job losses continue, although we have won a significant victory with the State Civil Service Commission. Corrie Collins was reinstated with back pay after a hearing before the commission. On the other hand, the School Board of East Feliciana Parish took away Mr. Herbert Bell's bus route, and plans to press charges against him in court for allowing a minor (his son, James Charles) to drive the bus. Laura Spears, a bookmobile assistant on the Negro bookmobile, was dismissed at the end of 1963 for "excessive absence".

Police watchfulness continues. John Manchester, Town Marshall, has moved from the country to a house within two blocks of CORE headquarters, and his daily rounds to check on our activity have increased.

FUTURE PLANS: Since manpower that is willing to stay in jail indefinitely is limited, and since our property bond reserve in East Feliciana Parish is almost exhausted, we do not plan major direct action in the near future. Possible test sit-ins may be conducted at the main building of the library, as well as test picketing in Jackson.

Major emphasis in the near future will be on voter registration and on strengthening the boycott. The local chapter of CORE is beginning a fund raising drive to cover the costs of bonding Vic out on surety bond (supplemented by property bond).

II. WEST FELICIANA

VEP: Weekly clinics resumed at the Masonic Hall in Laurel Hill on the first Tuesday in January. As in the past, the clinics are attended by over 100 persons.

Initial attempts are being made by the local CORE chapter, under the direction of the task force workers, to

increase clinic attendance by canvassing. Weekly canvassing, now a regular activity of the chapter, began in Solitude, then the whole of St. Francisville. Despite continued intimidations and inclement weather, the determined people of West Feliciana Parish continue to come out to learn registration procedures.

Several sessions were held with the 13 registered voters in West Feliciana to prepare them for voting in the first and second Democratic primaries. The 13 voted on both occasions without a single incident.

DIRECT ACTION: Because of the history of terrorism against Negroes in West Feliciana, canvassing, especially in St. Francisville, is direct action. About 20 youngsters have participated in these action projects, all of them carefully trained in non-violence. Surprisingly, there was no trouble in St. Francisville, either from the law or from the local people. Reception from the local people was excellent, considering the fear that pervades the Negro community in St. Francisville.

CHAPTER DEVELOPMENT: Task force workers are in the process of helping the local people organize both a civil rights organization and a Community Relief Fund. A nominating committee is now choosing a slate of officers to be presented at the next clinic. The CORE group will have the same structure as East Feliciana CORE.

HARRASSMENTS: There are rumors, as yet unconfirmed, that Princeville Canning Co. may refuse to renew its contracts with those farmers who tried to register. The FBI and Justice Department are being alerted.

FUTURE PLANS: The weekly clinics will continue, as will the canvassing. In the not-so-distant future, we hope to run a series of tests in St. Francisville, to take stock of segregated facilities, providing we can calm the older people's jitters.

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT: FIELD REPORT

North Louisiana: Ouachita Parish

13 January 1964

I. AREAS WORKED:

A. Monroe
B. West Monroe

II. CONTACTS:

A. Ouachita Parish:
1. Mr. Roscoe Young, 1711 Desiard St., FA2-9475
New secretary of NAACP chapter in Monroe. Owns small bar. Sincere, willing to work.
2. Rev. J.F. Johnson, St. James Methodist Ch., 916 Adams St., Monroe, FA3 3-7280.
Vocal in support. Have had several meetings at his church. Probable leader.
3. Paul Atkins. Keystone Insurance, 1001 Desiard St.
New in Monroe. Has canvassed with us.
4. Fred Ruffin. Keystone Insurance, 1001 Desiard.
Has attended meetings and offered help.
5. Rev. Samuel Pierce. FA3-2619.
6. Mr. Willie Tillman. Standard Ins. Co., 1001 Desiard.
Longtime resident Monroe. Active in previous v.r. campaign. Ex secretary of NAACP chapter.
7. Mr. A.H. Bowie. 1801 Adams St., Monroe. One of wealthier Negroes in Monroe. Part owner of Town House rest. He and Mr. Tillman in charge of contacting ministers for use of churches. Pledges full support.
8. Mr. Henry Carroll. 1317 Breard St. Principal Carroll High. Real estate, radio program on KNOE. Single most influential Negroe in Monroe. Is having vot. reg. taught in his school. Talked with him last week-does not want to stick neck out, will support v.r. "quietly". May be pipeline downtown.
9. Mr. Leon Head. Vixen Rd, West Monroe. Ex pres. of local NAACP. Came to meeting of com. leaders.

B. Madison Parish:
Mr. Elliot Nolley. Tallulah, La. Mr. Nolley has been the leadr of vot. reg. activities in Madison parish. He came to the office last week & we spent the afternoon talking. Invited us th come and help him in Madison.
2. Mr. Thomas. Standard Ins. Co. 1001 Desiard, Monroe. A Tallulah resident (Madison), Mr Thomas a close associate of Mr. Nolley.

C. Jackson Parish:
1. Rev. and Mrs. Hester. Chatman, La.
Took part in NAACP drive.

D. Richland Parish:
1. Dr. G.D. Merrick. Rayville. Veternarian. Worked with NAACP vep drive.

E. Tenaas Parish:
1. Prof. Jackson. St. Josephs. Supt. of Negro schools.
2. Mr. T.J. Ellis. St. Josephs. Barber.
Both instrumental in recent effort for registration of first 15 Negroes in parish.

IV. VEP ACTIVITIES:

A. Canvassing, instruction and registration:
The above activities have been limited because of lack of active support and the nature of the community. Concentration h has been in building support and a work force.

In Monroe the Negro residential area in which the office is located has been canvassed by the 3 CORE workers with a few local pepple participating. The results of the canvassing were unimpressive, with a few people coming to the clinic for instruction.

In West Monroe, however, where Dr. Reddix and Mike Lesser spoke at Trento B.C. a few Sundays ago, a clinic and canvas program has been initiated by a group of local people as a result of that speaking engagement. They are getting their materials from us, but seem afraid of having CORE come in to help them, as we suggested and offered. They send over for material.

In re registration, the books have been closed until this week. One person went yesterday (monday) and passed. Two are supposed to apply today.

B. Building Community Support:

This has been attacked along several lines.

1. Building agroup of adult community leaders to act as a leadership organization of vot. reg. activities:
At an NAACP meeting with only 4 people in attendance our vep program was explained. A larger meeting was planned and held on 10 Jan. 18 people present along with CORE workers and Ronnie Moore. Our program was explained and plans were made to implement it. Committee set up to contact all area ministers for support, speaking engagements and use of churches for clinics and meetings. Commitments made for transportation and canvassing.

Group set up to start canvassing 14 Jan. (Only 3 of this group showed up and program cancelled for that day)

Another meeting of the group scheduled for 17 Jan.

Progress in gaining commitment from adult community has been slow, but several individuals who will work are coming forward, and perhaps we can build leadership around them.

2. Building an active working force of high-school age and other youths:

On 7 Jan. two student council members at Carroll High School met with us in our office, and agreed to start a program of interesting the high school students in vep activities, and a meeting was set up for 9 Jan at Mt. Zion B.C. Limited activity at the high school-such as teaching of the forms and stressing the importance of v.r had been approved at a meeting of Mike Lesser and Mr. Carroll, the principal (see contact list). This is now being followed up.

At the meeting of 9 Jan. 5 h.s. students showed up along with another young man-out of school-and Rev Johnson. It was agreed that they wished to participate and get other young pee people.

On Sunday, 12 Jan a meeting with 10 students in attendance was held at Rev. Johnsons church (see contact list). This was a training session in v.r. procedures. Plans made for canvassing on Saturday, 18 Jan and a training session on Fri. 17 Jan. The students are working on ideas to get out more kids.

This too, is a slow process-it is exam time-but I believe it to be our best possibility for organizing a work force, and also possibly the best way to arouse interest in adults.

3. Churches and ministers:

Mr. Bowie and Mr. Tillman have agreed to write letters to all are ministers about v.r. and to press the ministers to accept speakers and to give us use of facilities. We hppe to start a program of church visitations on a large scale this coming Sunday. Most area ministers don't want to get involved But, Mr. Bowie feels they will respond to pressure, and that he can mobilize such pressure.

IV. INTIMIDATION AND HARRASSMENT!!!

"Mike, Ah'm jes tryin ta communicate with ya'll."
Monroe Police Chief, John Kelly

A. I think it is fair to say that we have experienced, here in Monroe, a greater degree of harrassment by the local police, than in any other single community we have worked in since the project began in July, including Clinton and St. Francisville.

On the third day we were in Monroe, in December, Tom and I were picked up by the police and questioned for 4 hours by the police chief, John Kelly. The next day, Brendan SExtan was stopped and questioned by police. On each occasion we were threatened with arrest on charges of soliciting. While we were out of town for Christmas, a man who said he was from the United States Detective Agency came to the house in which we had been staying and questioned the landlady about us.

Upon our return, nothing overt happened until 11 January when the police came to our office to take me downtown for questioning. Upon my refusal to go voluntarily I was arrested and taken to headquarters. When I refused to respond to questioning by the chief, he had me booked on a charge of vagrancy and put in the white line. Coincidentally, Ronnie

was scheduled to be in Monroe that day, and when he arrived he had a conference with Kelly and I was released. Kelly denied I had ever been arrested, and said he only put me in jail because I had not "cooperated" with him . He said he only wanted to "keep channels of communication open."

The following night I was picked up again by the two Negro cops on the force (there are 3). They held me while one called a white cop to make the arrest. I was picked up in the hall outside of Dr. Reddix' office and taken to headquarters and questioned by a Capt. Honneycut for 1 hour, and then released. While the process of my arrest was going on the police had surrounded the block in which the building was located. I was taken in custody after being identified by Dr. Reddix who testified that I had been visiting him in his office.

Today, as per our agreement with Kelly, Shirley Thompson went to his office to identify herself to him. At this interview he insulted her and tried to intimidate her with threats of jail. These didn't work, of course.

Besides these individual acts of harrassment, the police keep a constant stakeout on our office--sometimes a plain clothes detective (white) sitting in an unmarked car outside the building, sometimes a Negro cop in plain clothes loitering on the corner, taking down names of people seen with us or entering the building. Always there is regular patrol of the block on which the Office is located. Police follow us when we are walking or riding, and, they have recently taken to sending Negro cops to the Town House restaurant--which we frequent--to sit outside in patrol cars.

B. Our mail, incoming at least, is regularly opened before ~~our~~ it reaches us. This is especially so of all mail with CORE letterhead, or in any way identifiable as CORE mail. Thus I would suggest that all mail be sent unmarked, and sealed carefully and thoroughly so that we may have evidence for the postal inspectors if possible that they will do anything. Especially do this with important mail.

C. We have had no contact with the West Monroe police, or the parish sherriff's department yet.

VI. Future of CORE:

A. The NAACP has conducted vot. reg. activities through much of north Louisiana with varying degrees of success, and has set up chapters in the area, including Monroe.

In Monroe, the present NAACp chapter is small. Dr, Reddix has been trying to revitalize it with limited success up to now. He claims he wants any and all civil rights organizations to come into Monroe. Many of the people who have been and will be working with us are or have been members of the NAACP. They have varying degrees of loyalty.

One result of our work may be to revitalize the NAACP here if we are successful in vot. reg activities, and as people regain interest in civil rights--unless we can make them concious of the effectiveness of the CORE approach.

Thus, it is possible that the NAACP will gain members, and

carry on one of their "money membership" campaigns, while we wind up doing all the work.

We are conscious of this possibility, and will evaluate the situation as we go along. Dr. Reddix is a key man in this.

Economic Problems:

A, Poverty:
There is a tremendous amount of Negro poverty in the Monroe area. Many of these impoverished people are unable to relate voter registration to solution of their problems. In fact, they are unable to relate to their own environment, and one of our jobs must be to reach these people. We have been trying to get to some of the young unemployed men in town to get them interested in working with us and registering. Also important, might be to help with means of assistance to impoverished families. Any suggestions?

B. THe single largest employer in the area is the Olin Mathieson container plant. At the plant no Negro has gone above the position of fork-truck driver, and the whole plant is completely segregated.

Interesting, and perhaps important, is that the Olin-Mathieson Co, signed an equal opportunity agreement in 1962, with then vice-president Lyndon Johnson, chairman of the President's Commission on Equal Employment. Several men at the plant are willing to file complaints against the company for discrimination.

Can we do anything?

VIII. VEP Tabulations complete to today are attached.

19 Jan 64
Baton Rouge, La.

VEP SUMMARY FIELD REPORT JANUARY, 1964

Core's Vep activities are now coordinated in the 5th and 6th Congressional Districts of Louisiana through three main VEP centers located in Monroe, Plaquemine and Clinton. From these focal points we branch out into the surrounding communities and parishes concentrating on canvassing, clinics, chapter development and spurring community interest in VEP. Recent elections and their results are aiding our cause.

The full development of the MVP in Louisiana will soon become a myth of the past unless CORE does something to focus national attention on Louisiana's conspiracy against Negro suffrage.

In East and West Feliciana parish the doors to the registrars' offices have been closed indefinately pending the outcome of Federal suits. The firing of school bus driver Herbert Bell, Book Mobile librarian Laura Spears and others who have participated in VEP activities are only minute examples of our struggle and the sacrifices involved in it. For some reason or another potatoe Contracts usually issued on January 2 of each year by Princeville Canning Co. of West Feliciana Parish have not been let to Negroes this year. Several CORE workers have been jailed. Recently, we posted $12,000.00 in property and commercial bond to obtain the release of CORE worker Edgar H. Vickery II and minutes before he was released CORE worker Bill Brown was arrested for "obstructing traffic" as he was standing on the side of "rock muddy" road in Clinton, La.

The only encouraging development has been the decision of the La. State Civil Service Commission to order to rehiring of Corrie Collins, Chairman of the East Feliciana Chapter of the Congress of Racial Equality, to his former position at the Villa Feliciana Geriatric Hospital. Collins had been dismissed because of his arrest for CORE VEP activities, although the days of work he missed because he was held in jail did not equal his numerous leave days in reserve. These incidents only point out the many aspects of a political conspiracy in Louisiana against the enfranchisement of black taxpayers. However, we are still going to make some gains in Voter Registration, and we have made a few political changes through past Voter Registration increases in spite of the rigid and rigged procedures.

In Iberville parish by showing an increase from 2,385 in 1962 to over 3,000 Negro voters in 1964 we defeated two leading horseback riding, cattle prod wielding politicians who were long standing incumbents. We ousted veteran Sheriff C.A. Griffon (28 years of tyranny)

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and State Representative T.J. Jumonville who led the search to lynch James Farmer on 1 Sep 63. Newly elected Sheriff Jewel Ourso has "promised" that he will use his political influence to oust the current Ibervi le Parish Registrar, Ella Billings, who vowed a year ago, -"Niggers ain't gonna run this parish." This paragraph is not for publication.

In new territory we expect to make some progressive steps toward Vo Voter Registration in Tensas, Madison, Ouachita, Jackson, Richland, Ascension, St. Landry and St. Tammany parishes. In North Louisiana we are meeting more mass resistance to social change but we must go where ever people call us. Nevertheless, in some parishes mentioned above , we are meeting with less trouble. For instance, Registrar J.K. Robertson of Tensas Parish has registered 15 out of 15 Negro applicants. T.J. Ellis, District Grand Master of Prince Hall Masons is optimistic.

At the end of this month when we forward additional field reports we'll try to give you a detailed annlysis of our program in each parish worked peast and present.

Best Regards,

Ronnie Moore

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JAN 22 1964

TO: James T. McCain, CORE Director of Organization
Wiley A. Branton, Project Director, Voter Education Program

FROM: Patricia Stephens Due, Field Secretary for the Congress of Racial Equality, Voter Education Project.

SUBJECT: Report on the Voter Education Drive in Leon and Gadsden Counties for week ending January 18, 1964.

The Big Bend Voter Education Campaign operating in Leon and Gadsden Counties is working out of 403 North Macomb Street, Tallahassee, Florida. In the past week several important steps have been taken toward the goal we are striving for:

1. the phone was installed. The number is 224--9255, Area Code 305.
2. The office has been cleaned and furnished to some extent. There are four large tables, about 20 chairs, a large bookshelf and one white gas lantern. The steering committee voted against accepting the donation of a $125 lighting system offered by Attorney Aulsley and his wife.
3. Mimeographed forms necessary to keeping records of canvassing and registering have been run off.
4. Office supplies were provided.
5. During the week a number of persons were registered simply because they came into the office to see what we were doing and several of these have subsequently become canvassers.
6. Groups have begun canvassing, and today, for example, 166 people were contacted. Most of these who are not registered have made appointments to be taken to register.
7. People come in every hour, and we have been able to maintain the office from 8:30 in the morning until from 6:30 to 9:00 at night. Some of the volunteers have been manning the office during these hours as well as myself.
8. We have begun keeping files and written records of all persons contacted and registered.

On Tuesday I and Judy Benninger went to Quincy to make contacts and set up the program which will occur tomorrow morning. We were stopped twice and questioned by the city police, and they followed us wherever we went. They expressed concern over the fact that we were traveling and eating together among other excuses for questioning us. We obtained information on the registering times there which are from 8 to 5 on Mondays only except during heavy periods when they are opened every day.

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In the following weeks the plan for Leon County will consist of day to day canvassing. Those persons who plan to register will either be taken to the County and City registration offices or will be directed by us to these places. We are sending letters to local civic clubs in an effort to obtain funds, interest and more volunteers. Some of these groups have already offered their membership rosters as potential lists of helpers.

Today at noon a steering committee meeting was held here in the office before the canvassing began. Some of the results of this meeting are listed below:

1. Rejection of offer of electric lighting system.
2. A proposal for the acceptence of and necessary financing for a part time paid secretary was temporarily rejected. In the event that volunteers are unable to maintain records sufficiently, this idea will be discussed again.
3. A Board of Directions was suggested. Twenty names were proposed, and these persons will be invited to the initial meeting on January 28th. From this group of civic and civil rights leaders an executive committee will be chosen to act as a permanent policy making and instrumental body.
4. The budget submitted to the steering committee was sanctioned.

With a program somewhat begun here in Leon County, we will be able to begin working in concentration in Gadsden County. This work will begin on Monday, and it is hoped that we can set up a program similar to this one there in the near future. It is possible that we will move from Tallahassee to a house in Quincy in order to better effect this program.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Stephens Due

Patricia Stephens Due
Field Secretary for the Congress
of Racial Equality
Voter Education Project

January 18, 1964

POSTSCRIPT:

Several things should be noted in conclusion. First, we have contacted The Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Department of Justice and given these offices background information in detail on the plan, purposes, and persons involved in this project--by persons, we indicated that staff would be volunteers from the communities and from interested civic and civil rights groups. We further described the non-partisan nature of the project. Finally, we mentioned some of the incidents which have already ocurred in which workers on the project have been harrassed and detained by local law officials. We urged them to keep in contact with the situations in these counties and lend us whatever protection and legal support they might be able to provide.

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FIELD REPORT

WEST FELICIANA PARISH

Jan. 13 - Jan. 26, 1964

VEP: Weekly voter registration clinics continue at the Masonic Hall in Laurel Hill, with average attendance at 100 or more. West Feliciana Negroes are among the best educated in the voter registration forms; many return to the clinics for several weeks and constant re-teaching of the forms before they attempt to register.

Weekly attempts continue to be made to register; on the average over 50 try each week, although many are still afraid to make the trip to St. Francisville.

Fletcher Harvey, Registrar of Voters, is conspiring with East Feliciana registrar, H.E. Palmer, and the District Attorney, to prevent Negroes from registering by refusing to register at all. A recent conversation with John Doar of the Justice Department by a Task Force worker indicated that every informal device had been used to try to force Harvey and Palmer to register, but they remained intransigent. We expect legal action to be taken to force the opening of the books in March.

DIRECT ACTION: The young people continue to canvass every Saturday; in the past two weeks they marched to the gates of Angola, to reach the total population in Tunica.

There is a hard core of young people who is ready to do almost anything, and is open to every suggestion. It will only be the older people who will hold them back. They will participate in the Non-violent Clinic in Plaquemine, and plan to have a read-in at the white library. The Plaquemine meeting will undoubtedly be the springboard for future action.

CHAPTER DEVELOPMENT: With the advice and assistance of CORE Task Force workers and the Field Secretary, local leaders are in the process of setting up the West Feliciana Committee on Registration Education, and the West Feliciana Community Relief Fund. The following officers were elected:

CORE: Chairman: Rev. Joe Carter
Vice-Chairman: Raymond Minor
Sec'y: Willie Scott
Treas: Narvelle Hamilton
Chairman of the VR Committee: Robert Gilmore
Chairman of the DA Committee: Alvin Cloy
Co-Chairman of the Membership Comm.: Mary Smith and Ernest Morgan

CRF: Chairman: Nathaniel Smith
Vice-Chairman: William Minor
Sec'y:
Treas: Maria Baker

Officers of the chapter are in the process of taking over various functions from the Task Force workers, and it is hoped they will soon be able to run the clinics, as well as send people to the registrar's office without Task Force assistance. A bank account (checking) has been established at the Baker Branch of the Louisiana National Bank for the Community Relief Fund.

A great deal of education is needed to cement the relation between CORE and the people of West Feliciana Parish. The idea of non-violence is a new one, and will require much discussion and training, especially for the older people. This group will also need extensive discussion and training to prepare them for the idea of direct action as an approach to fighting segregation. One of the basic problems at this point is to keep the younger element in control of the chapter, in order that the conservatism of the older generation not hold them back, while preventing a split between the generations.

LEGAL AND OTHER HARRASSMENTS: There has been no word yet from Princeville Canning Company on contracts, and the FBI and Justice Department have been alerted.

West Feliciana Parish was also hit by the wave of cross-burnings, although not as many were burned as in East Feliciana. The FBI, however, has investigated the West Feliciana crosses with greater thoroughness than any of the others, it appears.

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT (Jan. 18--Jan 27, 1964)

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James T. McCain, Director of Organizations, National CORE.
Wiley Branton, Southern Regional Council.
Marvin Rich

This report, which covers the progress of the project from January 18 (last date of report) until today, will deal with the project's progress and incidents which occurred this weekend. The copy of the letter to the FBI contains information dealing with Gadsden County previous to Saturday evening, and is attached herewith for your files.

As a part of our program of contacting as many Negroes in Gadsden County as possible, a group went from Tallahassee to Club 40 in Gadsden County Saturday night in order to speak there. We were invited by a cousin of mine, Mr. Canary Muse, whose mother owns the establishment. Upon arriving at the club at 11 P.M. (the time Mr. Muse had suggested we speak), Mr. Muse gave me the money to pay the entrance charge for all of us. I then purchased tickets from his mother, distributed these to the group, and we entered. Upon gaining entrance to the club our coats were taken by an employee, and we were directed to seats. Because of activities in the Club, CORE business which I had to attend to which was incidental to our visit, and a growing feeling of fear on the part of Mr. Muse, at 12:30 we decided that if we weren't asked to speak by 1 A.M., we would return to Tallahassee. Shortly after this time, several white law officers of Gadsden County entered the Club and gestured to Judith Benninger and Rosemary Dudley (white) to come with him. They asked several times if they were under arrest and if so,

what were the charges. The officers refused to give this information, and continued to indicate that these girls were to go with them. At this time, both girls decided to go with the officer, and were escorted to a police car.

My husband, John Due (Attorney) and I then went to the County jail to attempt to ascertain the charges, and my husband wanted to see these persons, as they had named him as their attorney. Upon entering the jail, my husband was told that the two girls were "in the wrong place."(meaning Club 40, which has a usually all Negro clientle, although Mr. Fuse had told me that white students do sometimes go there). My husband again inquired as to what law had been broken. He was then informed "disturbing the peace." He asked to see his clients and was told that he could return at 4P.M. the following day. Subsequent to this arrest, Julius Hamilton, president of Tallahassee Core who had accompanied us, was arrested for "open profanity."

Sunday at 4 P.M. my husband, myself, and Dennis Flood (a white FSU student) entered the jail to see the prisoners. At this point, Mr. Flood was arrested. (He had been at the Club with us). My husband was allowed to see the prisoners for a few minutes, whereupon we left the jail. He was informed that a hearing was set for them for 9:30 A.M. Monday morning.

Therefore, this morning, we arrived at the office of the Justice of the Peace, and tentative charges were announced against Miss Dudley, Miss Benninger and Mr. Flood of Tresspassing, while Mr. Hamilton was charged ~~xxx~~ with Open Profanity. Trial for the whites was set for tomorrow (January 28th) at 9:30, while trial for Mr. Hamilton will be next Tuesday at 10 A.m. The whites were released on their own recognizence, and Mr. Hamilton was released after we posted a bond of $50.

We were informed that the owner had not yet made the formal complaint of tresspass, and that the charges would be dropped if this were not done.

We feel that it is a breach of one's civil liberties to be arrested and detained from Saturday night until Monday morning without ever knowing what formal charges are. Finally, Mr. Hamilton's arrest was made at the suggestion of a Leon County law officer, and the charge of open profanity is unfounded according to Mr. Hamilton. We feel that we should have the right to enter any establishment which freely sells us the price of admission without intimidation, arrests and incarceration.

Very truly yours,

Patricia Stephens Due

Patricia Stephens Due
Field Secretary of the Congress of
Racial Equality
Voter Education Project

January 27, 1964

(CONTINUATION OF REPORT--pp. 1 and 2 sent to FBI in copy form)

In the week preceeding the arrests previously mentioned, other activities occurred which should form a part of this report.

In Leon County we are continuing to register persons. Some canvassing has been done by us. Furthermore, representatives from the campaign spoke at a meeting of the Intercivic Council (which prompted one member to canvass her neighborhood herself, and she has subsequently provided us with the results of this canvas). We also spoke at Liberal Forum (an FSU religious organization) and at the CORE chapter meeting. Wednesday evening a representative spoke at the local NAACP meeting.

Lights were installed as a contribution Monday last by a white couple in the community. Also, we spoke at a spiritual meeting on Thursday evening.

In Quincy, a group of us spoke yesterday morning at the services at Arnette Chapel. As a result of this meeting, we received a tentative offer to use this church for meetings, and perhaps to use one room as an office. Also, Mount Moriah Church offered me one room to use as an office. It is very necessary that we find office space of some sort. We are able to contact people in Gadsden County, but we must have some place where these people can come for information or meet to go to the places where they must register. In Tallahassee, the office is being paid for by the community. However, as the situation is much different in Gadsden County, and in the event that we are unable to raise the funds for this there or receive free use of a room, we will have to have money for an office from elsewhere. Also, I am sure that I will have to be in Gadsden County every day. At present I am leaving Judy Benninger, the task force worker, in charge of the operation in Tallahassee and trying to drive the 21 miles over there each day. But since I have to be there often until very late at night, I myself may have to find living quarters there.

There is another situation in Gadsden County which needs immediate and serious attention. Due to the Saturday morning incident described in the first letter to the FBI herein enclosed, we were able to obtain the names of a number of people who are very interested in direct action--these people where ready for it Saturday morning, but since we lacked any form of organization, since a series of non-violent workshops are utterly essential for these people (who presently tend to think in terms of violence), and since I myself cannot become involved in direct action due to the condition of my employment in the voter education program, we have been giving very serious thought to this question. It seems that a successful voter education project necessitates many forms of direct action. For example, it is really direct action for us to come into that

area at all. We feel that a complete direct action program in Gadsden County would not only benifit the voter education campaign, but would also be very good for the community and accomplish quite a great deal. This area is medieval in its race relations, and many Negroes are virtually still slaves in their work on tobacco farms. The fear is great there, but among the large number of people involved Saturday, we found many who were willing and interested in direct action. We have set up a meeting with adults for Monday night to discuss voter education. A group of teenagers literally pursued us in a car to ask questions and see if a CORE chapter couldn't be started in Quincy. We are meeting with a group of them Wednesday. We feel that it will be difficult to get people to register to vote unless they feel that they have an active community group behind them--a group willing to back them when they lose their jobs (which some undoutedly will). Finally, as described above, there is a desire in the community for direct action, and we need to have this action expressed in the form of constructive and non-violent action. I would like Marvin's opinion about forming a CORE chapter in Quincy, and we really need to consider whether we can send some task force workers into this area to work on direct action. The small group of us has been able to create some interest in questions of voting and equality, but I am sure that we will be unable to handle all of the potential action we create, particularly when most of the staff is in jail, as happened this weekend. With Judy and Julius in Jail, the work at the Tallahassee office came to a standstill, and John and I had to devote most of our time to consider their cases.

Also, it appears that we will need the services of a lawyer very often. Unless we are able to somehow stop arrests, it is likely that at least whites working with us will be arrested for almost anything they do in Gadsden, and it is also likely that once the opposition becomes organized, more arrests will follow. If a program of direct action is instituted, the lawyers in Miami who have to fly to Tallahassee for every case will not be able to handle all the legal situations which will arise.

This afternoon I am going back to Quincy to see about the meetings mentioned above and to try to secure a permanent voter education headquarters.

Tomorrow is the meeting of the Board of Directors for the Leon County campaign. We hope to be able to get this office and Leon County operating fairly independently in order to concentrate on Gadsden County, and the work of this Board, which I described in an earlier report, should help.

It also seems pertinent to mention that upon our release Saturday morning (as described in the letter to the FBI), a group of over 200 Negroes had gathered across the street, and they remained congregated for nearly an hour while we talked

with them about voter registration. Many of these persons expressed a willingness to coperate with us, and all were concerned that we had been held by the police.

With the trial tomorrow, the proposed meetings, etc., this should be a busy week in Gadsden County. I must reiterate, however, that in order to control and best utilize the interest we have generated, I am sure we will need more help here.

Very truly yours,

Patricia Stephens Due

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Field Secretary, Congress of Racial Equality
Voter Education Project
January 27, 1964

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4 Arrested In Racial Incidents

By JOE RICE
Times Correspondent

TALLAHASSEE — A Quincy tavern and a Tallahassee church were the scenes of racial unrest during the weekend.

It was in the Quincy Negro tavern, the 40 Club, that a pair of white Congress of Racial Equality (CORE) workers and a Negro were arrested late Saturday and early yesterday.

Arrested were Rosemary Dudley, of Naples, a former FSU student, and Judy Benninger, of Gainesville, a former student at the University of Florida, both in their late teens, and Julius Hamilton, 22, Atlanta, an FAMU student.

The girls were charged with disturbing the peace and Hamilton with open profanity. They will be arraigned in Justice of the Peace Court today at 9:30 a.m.

THE TWO ALONG with several Negro CORE workers and one other white CORE worker, reportedly had gone into the club to organize a voter education meeting. Gadsden County has been the scene of strongly organized efforts to get Negro names on voter registration rolls during the past two months. Gadsden County, a largely rural county with a predominately Negro population, had no Negroes on its rolls a decade ago and only a few in 1963.

Yesterday afternoon, Dennis Flood, 18, an FSU freshman from Vero Beach, was arrested when he went to visit the two girls at the Gadsden County Jail. The charge against Flood was not given.

FIELD REPORT

POINTE COUPEE PARISH

January, 1964

VEP: Local leaders, Sargent Caulfield, Sampson Jackson, and Matthew Batiste, continue to urge people to register. According to Batiste, over 200 persons have attempted to register since the first Democratic primary, although only 6 were accepted. Batiste claims that fear is still a large factor; many New Roads citizens are afraid to go to the Courthouse and register.

It has been reported that legal action is being taken against the registrar of voters. The registrar is not one of the 21 named in the Federal Government suit, so he continues to register with the multiple-choice test. A deposition is being taken from him by the Justice Department, and the 21-registrar ruling may be extended to Pointe Coupee's registrar.

I think there is pote ntial in Pointe Coupee for a voter registration drive, but a full- time Task Force Worker would be neededin the area to assist local leaders. Perhaps a two-week Voter Registration Weeks effort could put hundreds more on the registration rolls.

DIRECT ACTION: Matthew Batiste has personally led a series of action projects in New Roads which involved most of the active members of the CORE chapter which is, at the moment, dormant. In early December a group of young people attempted to enroll at the white Trade School in New Roads; they were refused and given the usual run-around. A suit is in the process of being filed on behalf of the youngsters by NAACP attorneys in Baton Rouge.

In the next few weeks, Batiste and Mr. Caulfield will be trying to moblilize the ministers, teachers, and other local citizens to boycott the Mardi Gras Carnival Parade in New Roads.At the moment there is stiff opposition from the school principals.

It is largely the lack of property bond that is holding t he CORE chapter back from direct action. Fear plays a large part in the unwillingness of the local adults to put their property up for bond.

Batiste will test the white library in New Roads and, if necessary, will lead a read-in, coordinated with other CORE groups' actions across the Sixth Congressional District.

BOYCOTT: A boycott of slected white merchants in New Roads, started last October, has all but completely collapsed. Rumors started by Uncle Toms, lack of organized transportation to shopping centers outside the parish, and the complexity of the boycott account for much of its failure. I have great

hope that an effective boycott can be organized, but only after careful preparation of the community with the help of a full-time worker.

CHAPTER DEVELOPMENT: A combination of cold weather, no warm place to hold meetings, and general lack of action have temporarily killed the CORE chapter, although a small group of active members continue to needle the white folks.

Around this hard core of young people, I feel a new CORE chapter can be built, with careful work and training. Young people like Thelma Caulfield should be used to mobilize high school students. There is not only a great deal of work to be done in New Roads, but there is need for a militant organization to replace the almost defunct and Uncle Tom voters' league.

I would strongly urge that a full-time worker be placed in New Roads, because of the excellent potential both in voter registration and in chapter development. I would highly recommend Ed Vickery for this job; using New Roads as a base of operations, he could assist Clinton workers in the other parishes of the Sixth Congressional District.

FIELD REPORT

ST. HELENA PARISH

January, 1964

VEP: Local voter registration leaders, Mr. Ellis Howard and Mr. Clarence Knighten, continue to do an excellent job of urging people and training them to register and vote. They are both outspoken and extremely capable people.

They report that the registrar of voters, Quitman Crouch, is registering without the multiple-choice test, but that he is frequently sick, and with no deputy registrar, the office becomes closed. Mr. Howard has spearheaded attempts to pursuade the Police Jury and the registrar that there is need for a deputy registrar, but he has made no headway, and isccurrently at a dead-end. At this point, possibility of any further action on this problem seems unlikely.

An unknown number of persons attempted to register since the first Democratic primary, and ten of these were accepted. The major problem at this point is that local voter registration workers do not keep records of all persons who attempt to register, and consequently do not file complaints on those who do not pass.

There is no indication that local leaders will slacken their efforts, and I would not recommend a permanent worker for this area at this time. Task Force workers will continue to check with Mr. Howard and Mr. Knighten on their progress, and will attempt to establish some sort of system for filing complaints.

DIRECT ACTION: According to Mr. John Hall, the St. Helena branch of the NAACP has been planning several actions to fight segregation, and are working mostly through the young people.

The branch has been investigating the library situat on for over a year; attempts to negotiate with the Police Jury failed, and the branch then turned to direct action. Groups of young people twice have attempted to use the library, but both times found the building closed. Up on suggestion from CORE Task Force Workers, the branch has agreed to coordinate the library effort with that of East and West Feliciana parishes.

Over a year ago the branch, with a ssistance from the Baton Rouge N AACP, filed suit to desegregate the parish schools. As yet, no results have been seen, but a court decision is expected soon, as well as a plan for desegregation from the School Board.

The Youth Council of the NAACP is anxious to attack all segregated institutions in the parish, and have a sort of priority list of such places, including the court house, the malt shop, the cafe, and a ball park. The Council in the

future plans to coordinate its efforts with those of CORE chapters in the Sixth Congressional District, and plans to attend the Non-Viole nt Clinic in Plaquemine.

Reaction by the white power structure has been less extreme than in the neighboring parishes of East and West Feliciana. It has been possible for local leaders to have conferences with white officials, and there are indications that several white merchants would be willing to serve on a biracial committee. This should not obliterate the fact that there is still deep resistance to integration; attempts to integrate the water fountains at the court house resulted in the water's being turned off completely.

CHAPTER DEVELOPMENT: St. Helena Parish is an NAACP stronghold, and this is the over-riding fact in attempting any sort of CORE chapter development.

A conference was held on Jan. 30 with four of the members of the Youth Council of the NAACP and one adult member. I was tremendously impressed with the young people, who seemed to have an excellent grasp of the situation, and are already very familiar with the ins and outs of organization. They have already prepared a list of targets for action projects in the near future, but, of course, were prepared to carry them out in more an NAACP-ish fashion.

The young people seemed unanimous in wanting a CORE chapter, and seemed to want to convert the Youth Council into a CORE group. They argue that other young people would be more willing to join CORE than the NAACP, since many folk are scared of the name NAACP, and that CORE would give them more independence in action. The adult present at the meeting concurred with this analysis, noting that a CORE chapter would be much more appropriate for the young people, while the NAACP was better for the older folks. He saw clearly the limitations of the NAACP bureaucracy on any sort of local initiative and action.

CORE Task Force workers presented an outline of what CORE is, and what is meant by non-violent direct action, leaving any decision up to the young people. The conference ended with the advice that the Youth Council seriously think the whole thing over.

In view of the above considerations, I would propose that we continue to build interest in CORE among the young people, but take care to work within what is acceptable to the adult leaders. Additional conferences with these leaders seems advisable. In the event the young people decide to remain as an NAACP chapter, I would recommend that CORE Task Force workers continue to advise them and work with them to coordinate their efforts with neighboring CORE chapters.

CAPITAL VOTERS LEAGUE

Turner Chapel A.M.E. Church Greensberg, Louisiana

February 1, 1964 10:00 A.M.

The following parishes were represented: West Feliciana, East Feliciana, and St. Helena.

After the opening freedom songs and the reading of the minutes of the last meeting, the following parishes reported:

1. St. Helena (reporter: John Hall): After the Federal Court decision declaring the citizenship test unconstitutional, fewer people have gone up to the registrar's office, but no precise records are available of how many went up and how many of those passed. It is estimated that 10 have been registered since the second primary. The registrar is not using the citizenship test.

2. East Feliciana (reporter: Robert Thompson): After the Federal Court decision, the registrar has not registered anyone, claiming that the state courts have told him not to register although the Federal Courts say he should. Negroes continue to apply for registration, however.

3. West Feliciana (reporter: Raymond Minor): Before the first primary, 13 Negroes were registered, the first in the parish in over half a century. As in East Feliciana, the registrar is refusing to register anyone, although from 40 to 50 Negroes go to the registrar's office every week.

In remarks on the ballot and federal action, and direct action protests for suffrage, it was emphasized that federal action is limited by the necessities of politics, as well as the hold over the Congress by entrenched Southern Congressmen. Discussion centered around the need for local action since the Federal government cannot always be counted on and because it is important to show the Southern segregationists that the Negro community can stand on its own feet, and that it means business. It was suggested that local groups might try picketing the Police Jury and/or sitting-in at the registrar's office to force the registrars to be more equitable. Communities that didn't already have CORE chapters were advised to form one.

Ronnie Moore, speaking on CORE's action in voting in Louisiana, stressed the need for area-wide action, and possibly state-wide action. He pointed out that the Capital Voters League should eventually consider endorsing candidates. In discussion afterwards, it was suggested that communities use the boycott as a method of fighting for better treatment.

The following persons were appointed to a Resolution Committee by the President, Mr. Herbert Bell: Mr. Ellis Howard, Greensberg; Mr. Fred Higgenbotham, Greensberg; Mr. Raymond Minor, St. Francisville; Mrs. Laura Spears, Clinton.

RESOLUTIONS:

1. It is resolved that March be declared Voter Registration Month.

2. The last two weeks afeFdbruary are declared Voter Registration Training Weeks.

3. Stand-ins should be employed to win our demands for registration.

4. Those parishes in need should apply to the Police Jury for a Deputy Registrar

5. Protests on injustices in voter registration should be made on a tri-parish basis to Robert Kennedy.

6. The parishes represented should extend to CORE an invitation to organize local CORE chapters.

7. The Capital Voters League endorses Charlton Lyons in the gubernatorial race.

8. Each parish should establish a selective buying campaign against all white merchants, in order to win better treatment.

9. Each delegation should investigate the possibility of boycotting all white insurance companies.

10. $50.00 must be raised to cover the costs of the charter. Each of the following four parishes must contribute $12.50: East Feliciana, West Feliciana, St. Helena, and Iberville.

11. The next meeting of the Capital Voters League shall be held on April 25, 1964 at 10:00 A.M. at the Masonic Hall in Laurel Hill, La.

Each parish then chose representatives to check on the implementation of these resolutions.

East Feliciana: Mr. Robert Thompson
West Feliciana: Mr. Vincent Smith
St. Helena: Mr. John Hall

Copies of the resolutions will be sent to all the parish representatives. Mrs. Laura Spears, Clinton, volunteered to be a "scout" responsible for inviting the leaders in the Sixth Congressional District to the next meeting. She is to be assisted by Task Force Workers.

CAPITAL VOTERS LEAGUE

Herbert Bell, Presiding

Turner Chapel A.M.E. Church — Greensburgh, Louisiana

February 1, 1964 — 10 A.M.

AGENDA

I. Freedom Songs.....East Feliciana CORE

II. Invocation.....Mr. Ellis Howard

III. Reading of the minutes of the last meeting
Hazel Matthews

IV. Reports of voter registration efforts from each parish.

V. Discussion on the ballot and Federal action, and direct-action protests for suffrage.....Mimi Feingold

VI. CORE acts on voting in Louisiana.....Ronnie Moore

VII. Constitution and charter.....W.W. Harleaux
(officers and present members)

VIII. Structure and objectives of the Capital Voters League.
- A. Coordinated voter registration drives
- B. Political endorsements
  - 1. State
  - 2. District
  - 3. Cross Parish:
    - a. cross judges
    - b. district attorneys
    - c. state senators

IX. Politica; strategy for gubernatorial general election.
John McKeithen v. Charlton Lyons

X. Closing.

Registration In Gadsden County Booming—One Way Or The Other

By JOE RICE

Times Correspondent

QUINCY — J. Love Hutchinson, publisher of the Gadsden County Times, is a tall man with dark somber eyes and a heavy jaw. He has been in the newspaper business the past 33 years and has been the supervisor of voter registration in Gadsden County the past 18 years.

Voter registration — conducted at the front counter of his Gadsden Times — has been booming lately.

"Last week," says Hutchinson, "about 30 white people came in here and changed from Democrats to Republicans and about a hundred Negroes just came in and registered."

Business is booming for Hutchinson because simultaneously throughout Gadsden County, two voters drives are being conducted. One is spearheaded by a pair of prominent white businessmen who support Senator Goldwater for the Republican nomination. The other is being pushed by Patricia Stephens Due, a Negro employed by CORE. Her goal is to get as many Negroes on the voter rolls as possible between now and April 5 when the books close.

THE GOLDWATER MEN have named their drive the "Gadsden Republican Organization," and refer to it as the GRO. They contend that "the Democratic Party and present administration seem to have deserted us — so we Southern conservatives are deserting the Democratic Party." They ask the citizens of Gadsden County to "grow and go forward with Goldwater and GRO."

After the initial spurt of 30 names last Monday, their drive seems to have lost some of its momentum.

The movement to register Negroes, on the other hand, seems to be gaining momentum each day.

Though Hutchinson says that the hundred or so "I don't keep a running tally on them" Negroes who registered last week is not unusual.

"THE SAME THING happened four years ago," he says. "They got stirred up about the presidential race. We only had seven or eight registered before that but by the time books closed, we had over 400. They just got all stirred up. It's going about the same way this time."

A CORE spokesman in Tallahassee says, "we will be just beginning with 400 this time. We are going for at least a thousand. We have been conducting meetings in Quincy and they have been very well received and we are trying to teach people about voting. We had 269 teen-agers at a meeting last Wednesday — that indicates the response we are getting."

The CORE spokesman says, "Though Quincy police have followed us everywhere and although the sheriff's deputies arrested three of our workers for trespassing, we have had no trouble getting registered."

Hutchinson says that the registration of Negroes is getting to be a routine part of his job. "I don't go out on the street and grab them around the neck and drag them in here," he says. "But I defy any civil rights commission or anybody else to prove that I've ever set up any barriers in these past 18 years to anybody.

MOST PEOPLE on the street in Quincy are reluctant to talk about the voter registration picture, although everyone seems to be strongly aware of the forces moving people in the county to change their political affiliations and the forces moving Negro farm workers who have never entered a voting booth in their lives to "go down to the newspaper office and get registered."

"I don't now what W. S. Dodson, the man spearheading GRO, is up to, says one businessman, "and I'm not sure what Mrs. Due is trying to prove, but it looks to me like politics in Gadsden County is starting to change its direction and its complexion."

The latest official figures — before last week's additions and changes, showing 6,694 white voters on the rolls. Of those 6,893 are Democrats. There are 450 Negroes listed as eligible to vote; 361 are Democrats, 89, Republicans.

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CORE-VEP: SCOUTING AND FIELD REPORT

NORTH LOUISIANA: 5th Congressional District

5 February 1964

MADISON PARISH

I. General Information:

A. Communities.
The village of Tallulah is the parish seat and only town in the parish.

B. Population Statistics.
1. Total population is 16,700, with 4 Negroes to every 1 white person
2. Negro voting age pop: 5,861
3. Registered:
Negro-285, white-2,000 plus.

C. Economic Characteristics.
Madison is basically a cotton farming parish, with one major industry, a lumber mill, and two small ones, a paper compress and a cotton gin.
m All three are highly automated, and the number of jobs for Negroes is very small-300 in all three plants-and decreasing with time. The mill, for instance, did employ 1,500 people, but now employs 300. Out of this number Negroes are limited to menial jobs. No new Ngeroes are hired. Thus, the number of jobs for Negroes is steadily decreasing in the parish due to discrimination, while automation is paring away at the total number of jobs for all people in the area.

D. Social Characteristics.
Madison Parish is a depressed area, economically and socially. The Negro population of the parish has been from the continual loss of young adults. The parish has been undergoing constant repopulation in the past 20 years.
As soon as most Negro youth reach the age to leave school, they leave the area. At the same time, however, the total Negro population remains pretty much constant, as the total emigration is equaled by immigration.
What has changed is the nature of the community. It is now devoid of young leadership and professional people, according to our contacts in the parish. The people who have moved into Tallulah in the past twenty years feel no attachment to the community, and little sense of responsibility.
The leaders of the Negro community here are all men in their 40's and 50's-at least those we have been in contact with.

II. Past Voter Registration Activities:

There have been v.r. activities of varying intensty going on here for the past 17 years. In 1952 the Federal gov't. won a suit against the registrar, and she was ordered to cease discriminating against Negroes

A. Community Organization.
The Madison Parish Get Registered And Voters League, headed by Mr. Elliot Nolley has carried out past v.r. activity. It has had contact with the NAACp in the past, has received material and help from The NAACp and the Dep't. of Justice.

There are over 60 Negro churches in the parish. About 12 have been active in the v.r. efforts, and the rest have at one time or another given aid in small degree.

It is generally agreed by our contacts, however, that most area preachers are "pretty bad" as are the school teachers. But, we are told that most school teachers are registered, which is certainly an encouraging sign.

B. Attitudes of White Power Structure.
1. The rgeistrar: a "sweet old lady" who was made considerably sweeter by the Justice Dep't. suit in '52, when she found out that she was solely responsible for the conduct of her office. It is generaaly agreed that she is pretty easy.
2. The Sheriff: Sheriff Hester is not such a jolly old soul. The main difficulties in the past have come from him. He has high blood pressure and a low threshold of anger.
3. The Ploice Chief: He has been "cooperative" in the past. Does not object to registration, and is not expected to interfere.

C. Evaluation of past V.R. efforts.
We feel that past efforts could have been more successful if the full potential of the community had been utilized. Little effort was made to mobilize the high school students. There was no door-to-door canvassing, and apathy was not attacked with any full scale pressure.

One major point overlooked was following up attempts to get people registered.

Also, one of the leaders of the drive, Mr. Nolley, was tougher on people while teaching them than the registrar. Thus, many people were made to feel inadequate. Mr. Dunbaugh of the Dep't. of Justice says that Nolley failed more people than the registrar.

III. Contacts: All in Tallulah.

1. Mr Elliot Nolley. 4D9 N. Walnut. Grocer, pres. of Get Reg. League.Brave man, leader in v.r. for many years. But, pretty inflexible, and little influence in community. Militant.
2. Mr. Zelma Wyche. Elks Hall Hwy 80. Barber. Strong, intelligen influential, militant leader. Great influence with other civil rights prone people. Beautiful chairman for a meeting.
3. Harrison Brown. Barber.
4. Martin Williams. Williams Cleaners on Hwy 80. Militant, CORE oriented-(Brown is too).

IV. VEP Activities:

A. Bill and I have had two successful visits to Madison parish. The first one was last week. We interviewed the above 4 people and discussed the feasibility of a CORE v.r. drive with them. All were very enthusad at the possibility. Only

Mr. Nolley was at all hesitant. We were invited back to a meeting this week (last night) to meet with a committee of community leaders for further discussion.

B. Organizational Meeting 5 Feb.

Last ni ght Bill and I mat with a committee of the following

Mr. Zelma Wyche	Mr. J.J. Britton
Mr. Elliot Nolley	Mr. Moses Williams
Mr. Harrison Brown	Rev. Israel
Mr. Martin Williams	Mr. Bowie
Rev. Wilson	
Mr. Haynes	
Rev. Harris	

The committee was officially organized with its purpose to be a policy and administrative body, and represent the Negro community in all dealings with the White power structure in matters of voter registration, civil rights activities and community matters.

Last night's meeting centered around discussion of CORE methods, community involvement, organiztional strucure for a v.r. drive.

The following sub-committees were set up.

1. Arrangements fro housing, board and transportation for a worker.
2. Organization of a property bail-bond list.
3. A community relief fund (such as in Clinton).
   --officers of the fund: Secretary, Mr. Bowie
   Treasurer, Mr. Harrison Brown
4. Relationships with churches
   --Rev. Harris

It was further decided that the drive would officially begin on February 24, and that general solicitation for the Community Relief Fund would begingthen, while limited financial support would be solicited prior to then, and the committee would begin to lay the ground work for the drive.

Mr. Nolley was appointed ex officio head of the committee, and the members agreed to coordinate through him.

A first project for the committee (other than v.r.) was set up as trying to get sidewalks put in in the area of the Negro high school.

V. Opinions and Evaluations.

A. Community Leadership and Organization.

There is very intelligent and progressive leadership in Madison parish amongst the 11 men we are now working with.

The most forceful single individual is Zelma Wyche. But, all 11 have committed themselves to go allthe way in active participation. We were impressed that their support is more than just on the surface because of the frank questions asked eg. "What is your procedure if someone is jailed?" and the very forceful initial steps taken in preparation and organizati ion.

B. Future of CORE.

It looks good. The first question asked of us was, when will the CORE worker arrive and what will he need. All were enthusiastic. The committee is going to meet twice again before we arrive to prepare for us.

VI. REGISTRATION 20 PEOPLE DEC & JAN

CLINIC ON NON-VIOLENCE

Ebony Hotel Plaquemine, Louisiana
February 8, 1964 10:00 A.M.

The following parishes were represented: East Feliciana, West Feliciana, St. Helena, and Iberville. There were, off and on, 65 persons in attendance.

After roll call and the opening freedom songs, Bonnie Moore delivered remarks on the philosophy of non-violence. He stressed that non-violence is an attitude as well as a way of action, and traced the history of non-violent thinking from Christ through Gandhi. He then pointed out that in the movement non-violence can be a way of life or just a tactic. In discussion afterwards, several of the young people questioned their own feelings about non-violence in various situations of tension.

In a talk on the history and structure of CORE, Mike Lesser compared CORE with SNCC and the NAACP. He explained that local CORE chapters have two distinctive characteristics, that they must believe in direct action, and that they have a large degree of local autonomy. He then noted that there were different types of membership in CORE. A brief history of CORE since its founding followed.

Bonnie Moore presented CORE's plan to promote chapter development throughout the 6th Congressional District. He called on each parish represented to list targets in its communities.

West Feliciana: nothing is desegregated. Segregated facilities include lunch counters and the public library

East Feliciana: the courtroom has been informally desegregated. Still segregated are the library, lunch counters, and parking lot

St. Helena: there has been an unsuccessful attempt to use the public library, and another attempt will be made. Lunch counters are still segregated

The group then split up into the following workshops, which reported in the general session afterwards:

1. Voter registration: Canvassing is a very effective technique of arousing interest in voter registration. There was discussion on how to deal with the various excuses people use to avoid trying to register, and a brief discussion on VR procedures. It was announced that March is to be Voter Registration Month, and the last two weeks of February are to be Voter Registration Training Weeks.

2. Picketing, selective buying, and negotiations: The group discussed types of picketing and relevant rules and laws.

The question was raised on how to negotiate, and it was pointed out that we should always be willing to negotiate when the merchants are ready to do so together. Ronnie Moore pointed out that before picketing, there must be a boycott to picket for, and before the boycott, there must be attempts to negotiate. Check local ordinances before beginning any picket action.

3. Group discipline and jail discipline: It was pointed out that it is absolutely necessary to follow instructions from the group leader, even if you think it is wrong. Also, nothing should be done unless the whole group decides to do it. The pros and cons of going limp versus going with the police voluntarily. Jail conditions were described, and it was emphasized that the group should stay in jail and not bond out right away. Ronnie noted the importance of establishing a schedule, and remembering that you are in jail for a purpose.

In remarks on violence in the face of violence, Ronnie Moore stimulated the group to think of how they would react in various situations of violence, both on a demonstration and in private life.

Mary Hamilton lead a discussion on the general techniques of non-violence, then conducted a demonstration of methods of self-protection.

Ronnie Moore then led a session on future action. Three projects were suggested: going back to the communities and setting up negotiations with merchants, then picketing if necessary; working on voter registration; and working on coordinated action against the library. It was agreed that there would be a tri-parish sit-in at the libraries on March 7, and that in preparation each group would have non-violent training sessions. All participants agreed to spend at least 20 days in jail, with no bail. In any case, everyone agreed not to accept cash bond. Each parish chose a representative to help carry out these suggestions, and to get in touch with young people in his parish for the next clinic, to be held in late March. The representatives are: W. Feliciana: Alvin Clay; E. Feliciana: Marshall Flowers; Iberville: Kenny Johnson; St. Helena: David Howard.

After dinner, the group was given instructions on how to picket, then split up into couples to picket. Picket lines were established at Food Town, West Bron., the Court House, Town Hall, and along Railroad Avenue. The experience turned out to be very valuable for everyone, and the general reaction was that picketing wasn't as easy as it seemed, but that it was enjoyable nonetheless. There was some white heckling, and the police stopped all the pickets to explain picketing rules to them. A Post photographer was present to take pictures. In all cases, pickets maintained their cool.

The clinic adjourned at 6:00 P.M.

CORE

CLINIC ON NON-VIOLENCE

EBONY HOTEL 306 IVEY STREET, PLAQUEMINE, LOUISIANA

FEBRUARY 8, 1964, 10 A.M.

AGENDA

I. Freedom Songs

II. The Philosophy Of Non-Violence

III. History And Structure Of CORE

IV. Strides In Chapter Development In The Sixth Congressional District Of Louisiana

V. Workshops:
1. Voter registration drives
2. Picketing and selective buying
3. Negotiations
4. Perspectives on non-violence in Louisiana
5. Jail discipline and group discipline

VI. Non-Violence In The Face Of Violence

VII. Socio-Dramas:
1. In the registrars office
2. Canvassing in Negro neighborhoods
3. Picketing
4. Sit-in demonstrations
5. Join-ins, pray-ins and read-ins

VIII. Suggestions For Direct-Action Emphasis:
1. Statewide protest aimed at obliteration of Louisiana segregation laws
2. Applying direct-action in the community
--library sit-ins
office sit-ins
jail-ins
marches

IX. Closing

FIELD REPORT

WEST FELICIANA PARISH

Jan. 27 - Feb. 9, 1964

VEP: Weekly voter registration clinics continue at the Masonic Hall in Laurel Hill, with average attendance at over 100. The Voter Registration Committee, in cooperation with the President of the Community Relief Fund, Nathaniel Smith, are beginning to take over the running of the clinics, and it is hoped, and expected, that in a few weeks the clinics can be run entirely by the local people.

West Feliciana sent three delegates to the meeting of the Capital Voters League; Vincent Smith is parish representative in charge of helping to put the resolutions into action. It is significant that the representatives requested that the next meeting of the Capital Voters League be held at the Masonic Hall in Laurel Hill.

There is still great potential with VEP in this parish.

DIRECT ACTION: About 35 young people attended the Non-Violent Clinic in Plaquemine on Feb. 8, 1964. All agreed to participate in the library sit-in on Mar. 7, 1964, and agreed to remain in jail at least twenty days.

The Direct Action Committee of the CORE Chapter is a strong one, with good people in leadership, and fearless workers. There is great potential for developing direct action among the young people, who seem not to be afraid of anything, although they live in one of the worst areas in the state. It will be mainly a problem of convincing the adult leaders that what the young people want to do is right and necessary.

BOYCOTT: One of the resolutions of the Capital Voters League called for each community's establishing a boycott to pressure for better conditions. Task Force workers will be working with CORE leaders in West Feliciana in the next few weeks to build interest in preliminary negotiations and, if necessary, boycott. We feel that many of the older persons are dubious now of a boycott, but that with minimal educating, they will agree with the younger people.

CHAPTER DEVELOPMENT: A CORE Chapter has been established in West Feliciana Parish under the name of the West Feliciana Chapter of the Committee on Registration Education. The Executive Committee is now meeting weekly, and is currently receiving instruction on how to conduct a CORE meeting. The Constitution Committee drafted a constitution which was accepted by the Executive Committee. The Membership Committee begins weekly meetings on Feb. 11, 1964 to interview prospective members, who will then be approved by the Executive Committee.

The younger people in the chapter have a good command of the philosophy of CORE, but it will take some time to convince some of the older persons of it. The chapter, however, is shaping up very well, and any problems we are having are those inherent in the situation produced by an economically backward parish.

LEGAL AND OTHER HARRASSMENTS: Contrary to expectations, Princeville Canning Company delivered its contracts, considerably easing the minds and hearts of Negro sweet-potato farmers who had feared losing all they had.

FIELD REPORT

ST. HELENA PARISH

JUN 5 - 1964

Jan. 27 - Feb. 9, 1964

VEP: Voter registration continues to be emphasized by Negro leaders, Ellis Howard and Clarence Knighten. They, and several others, participated in the meeting of the Capital Voters League in Greensberg, La. on Feb. 1, 1964. Their comments at the meeting indicate that they are moving beyond purely a "VEP" outlook, and are beginning to see the necessity of using direct non-violent tactics a gainst the registrar and the white power structure.

Several resolutions passed at the meeting apply to St. Helena, and will be implemented with the assistance of Mr. John Hall. Within several weeks, Negro lea ders will initiate a boycott of all white merchants in the parish, and establish a picket line in Greensberg. At the same time, efforts will be made through direct action to secure a deputy registrar in the registrar's office. In conjunction with Voter Registration Training Weeks, the young people will cooperate with the adult leaders to begin clinics in churches in the parish.

There is little need for full time work in VEP here. Periodic checking and supplying leaders with VEP material is all that is necessary.

DIRECT ACTION: About four young people, representatives of the Youth Council of the NAACP in Greensberg, attended the Non-Violent Clinic in Plaquemine on Feb. 8, 1964. For all the youngsters it wak a new experience, since they had never participated in any direct action before, and had had little exposure to non-violence.

Young people from the Youth Council will participate in the triparish library sit-in on March 7, 1964. In order to prepare them for the action project, Task Force workers have set up two non-violent clinics in Greensberg, at the Masonic Hall to teach the philosophy of non-violence and techniques to use on demonstrations.

CHAPTER DEVELOPMENT: At a meeting with four members of the NAACP Youth Council and one adult NAACP member, Task Force workers discussed the possibility of voting the Youth Council into a CORE Chapter. Although the young people appeared to be receptive, they reached a decision at a meeting held on Jan. 31 that they would remain as a Youth Council and cooperate closely with CORE. CORE literature has already been distributed t o the young people, and after the two non-violent clinics, the Youth Council will be well versed in CORE thinking.

I anticipate several problems arising from the young people's de cision. There may be trouble from the Regional Office

when it learns that a branch has acted independently. The young people are also already impatient with the slowness with which the older people act.

Task Force workers will continue to work with the Youth Council, training them in CORE techniques. We will encourage them to participate in direct action projects, and encourage weekly meetings. At the same time, we plan to encourage any tendencies toward CORE. It may be that the adult NAACP and the Regional Office will help us to develop a CORE Chapter by putting too many restrictions on the youth.

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FIELD REPORT

EAST FELICIANA PARISH

Jan. 27 - Feb. 9, 1964

VEP: Up to the last, Henry Earl Palmer, Registrar of Voters, refused to open his doors. The office is now closed until March 5, 1964.

In preparation for the opening of the office in March, the VEP Committee has expanded its membership, and has outlined a series of clinics in areas that need to be worked. The clinic is to open Thursday night, Feb. 13, 1964 in the Sticks area (near Jackson, La.)

Representative leaders in the voter registration drive attended the meeting of the Capital Voters League in Greensberg, La. on Feb. 1, 1964. (see report on meeting under separate cover) Of interest to the local drive were the resolutions passed by the Capital Voters League which declared the last two weeks of February Voter Registration Training Weeks and the month of March Voter Registration Month. Another resolution calls for sit-ins in the registrar's office if this becomes necessary. The East Feliciana delegation promised to produce $12.50 toward the $50.00 charter fee. Robert Thompson volunteered to be the East Feliciana representative to make sure that the resolutions were implemented.

DIRECT ACTION: The "observer action" continues every Saturday. CORE observers case the uptown area, without signs, and note names of all Negroes who are seen shopping. During the week the observers attempt to contact those persons. The action at best can be only partially successful, and is a poor substitute for picketing. There is a possibility that picketing will be resumed in Jackson on Feb. 15 for one week, but large-scale long-term picketing will not be resumed for some time. We hope to launch major direct action projects during the summer.

About ten members of the CORE chapter attended the Non-Violent Clinic in Plaquemine, La. on Feb. 8, 1964. (see report of clinic sent under separate cover) Representatives planned a coordinated sit-in in the tri-parish library, along with the other two parishes, East Feliciana and St. Helena, to take place on March 7, 1964. Delegates at the Clinic agreed to spend at least 20 days in jail. Another non-violent clinic is scheduled for late March.

TOP SECRET: Eight parents have agreed to sign a suit to desegregate parish schools. Att'y Tureaud has been contacted, and either he or one of his associates will meet with the parents within the next month.

BOYCOTT: The boycott remains about as effective as it has been in the past. The Transportation Committee continues to transport people to Baton Rouge to make groceries.

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The only significant shopping occurs on the first day of each month when welfare checks come in. Stepped-up observer action is being employed on these days. The outcome of this action, as was noted earlier cannot be very effective, since it is often difficult to contact people who work, and because while people can lie to one's face, they are generally stopped by a picket line.

CHAPTER DEVELOPMENT: There have not been elections for officers of the East Feliciana Chapter of CORE as yet, but elections will probably be held on Fri., Feb. 14, 1964.

In the past few weeks, the Chairman of the CORE Chapter, Corrie Collins, has shown significant growth in leadership ability. He has been able to handle relatively tense situations with a high degree of cool, and at least understands the problems involved in keeping CORE moving forward. I am really impressed with the job he is doing.

A CORE representative departed for Washington, D.C. on Feb. 1 to help in the lobby for the civil rights bill; she is Betty Nero of Ethel, La.

The weekly rallies continue, attendance picking up at each meeting. At the rally of Feb. 10 the delicate issue of money was raised, which, if it is not handled carefully, may split the community. There has been dissatisfaction in the past with the financial reports from the Community Relief Fund (for which an offe ring is raised every Monday night at the rally), but it had been the decision of the CRF Committee that details of the Fund's bank account and balances be kept secret. This was being done largely to protect the CRF and the Negro community, since already many of the records were in danger of being subpoenaed by the District Attorney, Richard Kilbourne, and the matter of finances has been a subject of his interest. The problem as it stands now is to devise a report form that will satisfy the people without revealing details we do not want transmitted to the white power structure. We must also guard against certain community leaders who wish to take over the CRF leadership, without assuming consequent responsibilites in community leadership. In the future, we plan to establish a more efficient bookkeeping method, and keep ore detailed records. Financial reports are to be given to the rallies on the first Monday of the month, and all questions are to be directed to the CRF Committee. We must also stress to the community leaders that all money for the movement, except CORE Chapter funds, are to go through the CRF, even if it is spent immediately.

LEGAL AND OTHER HARRASSMENTS: Gas bills for the second month in a row were excessively high; however, whereas no action was taken previously, anger was now too high to let this injustice go unnoticed. A committee was formed of local citizens which went before the Town Hall secretary (who handles the bills) to

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complain of the excessive bills, and to note that if nothing was done, the Negro citizens of the parish would consider cutting off their gas. A complaint was also filed with the FBI in Baton Rouge.

The result of the committee's protest was a re-reading of the gas meters, and a lowering of several bills. The gas company, however, continues to employ tricks, and future action will probably be necessary, depending on what the community is ready to do. The CORE Chapter plans to circulate a petition to the mayor of the town requesting that a new meter-reader be employed; the present one is the Town Marshall, chief harrasser of CORE workers and Negro citizens. If this fails, we plan to start a boycott of the gas company, and burn wood instead.

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February [illegible], 1964

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TO: James T. McCain, CORE Director of Organizations
Wiley A. Branton, Project Director, Voter Education Project

FROM: Patricia Stephens Due, Field Secretary, CORE, Voter Education Project.

SUBJECT: Report of the Voter Education Project in Leon and Gadsden Counties.

In the past week several important things germain to the project have happened. First, a steering committee for Gadsden County has been formalized. This committee met on Saturday night last and decided to conduct a concentrated registration drive called "Operation Citizenship" during the last two weeks in March (just before the books close). There will be a mass meeting for voter registration in each of the ten areas in the county, and a combined mass rally will be held on the eleventh night in the city paladium of Quincy. We hope to have a big-name person to speak at this last rally. We would like to have this person sent from National CORE, as this even would be a fund raising event. Any date near the end of March would be appropriate.

In the last week we have spoken at four churches and reached approximately 390 people in this manner. Tonight there is a fund raising musical benefit program for the project.

In the city election of this last Tuesday which resulted in the loss by the liberal candidate, we participated in that we distributed leaflets explaining the positions of the two cadidates with regard to race relations, utility bills and city expansion. These leaflets were placed in the Negro areas of the city.

We are still waiting to hear whether we can have a person in direct action and one in voter education for a month each.

We have received a request from another group in Gadsden County for the formation of a CORE group, but because of the lack of staff to service a new chapter and the envolvement with Quincy CORE in the voter registration campaign, we have been unable to encourage this group except to urge them to travel some distance to attend Quincy CORE meetings.

We are still awaiting the arrival of a large number of "I Am Registered" buttons. We are in the process of going to all the churches in both counties for speaking and workshops, and it is necessary to have these buttons available to persons who have registered. We are also placing "Our Church Record Of Registered Voters" books in all the churches we go to.

Although we are having difficulty breaking through the apathy of Leon County, several things have been happening lately to indicate that some of this is being overcome. The recent city election in which a sincere and progressive man advocating equal employment and enjoyment of public facilities lost to a typical southern segregationist. The good man's support came from a handfull of white liberals, the Negro middle class, and the people in the area of this office who may be termed low-income or no-income. Political analsists as well as the influential Negro leaders who have not been particularly helpful in our drive have agreed that Mr. Ausley's margin of loss could have been taken up by the registered Negro voters who were not reached by Mr. Ausley's basically middle class campaign plus those Negroes who were not registered at the time of the election.

We have been urging the sympathetic candidates to campaign in the lower-income areas to no avail until now. However, in the past few days, important Negro ministers who belong to a faltering group in Tallahassee dedicated to registeration have expressed their desire to revitalize the old registration campaign by supplying us with canvassers, transportation and financial aid. How well this will work out remains to be seen. However, the upcoming elections plus this recent but very instructive failure plus our continued prodding, urging, and occassional news stories about our successes seems to be bearing some fruit in Leon County.

In Gadsden County, the picture is quite different, and the program outlined above seems almost sure of significant sucess.

/#4/ We received Marsha's telegram concerning the state of our request for additional temporary aid. We hope that this week will see us with another person in direct action as well as someone to work on voter education and registration.

We have begun a vital and concentrated fund raising drive in hopes of raising the money to pay our monthly bills.

Very truly yours,

Patricia Stephens Due
Field Secretary, CORE
Voter Education Project

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CORE-VEP FIELD REPORT: NORTH LOUISIANA: 5th Congressional District

February 1 to March 14, 1964
Madison, Lincoln and Ouachita Parishes.

MADISON PARISH

I. Our voter registration drive was scheduled to begin on February 24. Thus, on Feb. 23 Bill Brown and Mike Lesser arrived in Tallulah, the parish seat, and were taken to the Watson hotel by our main contact, Mr. Zelma Wyche. Shortly afterward, the police chief, a state trooper and a cop arrived on the scene and ordered us out of town. Mike was taken to the jail that night and tried and convicted of "disturbing the peace" the next morning. The two were then escorted out of town and told never to return on penalty of death, or something like that.

II. Evaluation.

A. Negro Community and Leadership.

Although 70% of the parish population is Negro, there is little political or economic power excercised by Negroes due largely to constant population turnover, "Uncle Tomism", apathy and economic control by whites. In regard to CORE and VEP, the reaction of our main contact, Zelma Wyche, was of inability to cope with the situation at hand. He had felt that he had personal influence with whites, that whites would not oppose v.r., and he placed faith in his relationship with the police chief.

B. White Power Structure, or, "Our Colored Folk Are Happy."

The Tallulah police chief has solicited Negro votes in the past, but he doesn't express much gratitude, except by doi doing little favors for Negroe individuals who helped swing the vote his way. He told Mike that Negroes can register (he do not pronounce it Negro though), but he doesn't want any #3#7#8(-)##CORE in his town.

There is a breach betweenthe chief and the sheriff. It seems that the sheriff was left to face an FBI investigation without support from the power structure when he resisted the Freedom Riders as they came through Tallulah.

We have no further information on the white community, but it seems there is constant in-fighting on local issues and a solid front against civil rights.

III. Future Plans and Activities.

Bill and Mike both want to return to Tallulah as soon as possible, feeling that each day passing weakens our contact int he community. But, we need a good plan for gaining a foothold, perhaps with some undercover work. The whites have a very good intelligence system in the Negro community and know everything that goes on-as we can tell you! Perhaps

sending in an unknown worker with one of the insurance men who works that area, from Monroe, to re-establish our foothold, and organize activity.

LINCOLN PARISH

I. We have made several trips to Grambling , a Negro state college located in the all Negro town of Grambling. The purpose of these trips has been to recruit students for the CORE summer project. Last Friday, March 13, we met with the student body president, Jarrow Merenovich, and he agreed to help by compiling a list of possible workers and making announcements to the student body. We plan to return to Grambling this Friday, the 20th, to meet with possible applicants.

Merenovich informed us that he has been pursuing the possibility of student exchanges with the white Louisiana Technical College in the parish seat, Ruston, three miles away. He has had no success thus far.

Ruston is a community which is greatly dependent on Negro trade from Grambling. Any off-campus direct action by Gramblin students would be directed at that town.

But, Grambling is a "tight little island" owned by pres. Ralph Jones. And most of the students act like "good little boys and girls."

II. CONTACTS.

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Jarrow Merenovich c/o Gr. Coll.
Miss Clara Henry. c/o Dept of Physical Education. Gr. Coll.
Phys. Ed. teacher at Gr.
Miss Saundra Bowie. P.O. Box 173 Grambling Coll.
Student.

OUACHITA PARISH

I. Areas Worked.

Monroe, West Monroe.

II. VEP Activities.

The registrars office was closed for the month of February. It opened March 4-6, and again March 9 and 10. All three CORE workers were out of Monroe from Feb. 7 to 19. During this time

all,work was carried on by local people.

We have organized a group of students, about 20, for weekend canvassing. This program began Sat. Feb. 29, and has continued every Saturday since then. This is part of an overall weekend program in which we canvass the twin-city area on Saturdays, visit churches on Sunday morning, and hold church clinics Sunday afternoons. Also, we have been holding clinics every Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri, in 4 different areas of Monroe in 4 different churches. This effort has not been as effective as we expected because our canvas effort has not bee as strong as we could make it.

During the 5 days in March that the books have been open we have registered about 35 persons.

In preparation for the opening of the books on March 4th we divided Monroe and West Monroe into 4 different areas, obtained a church for use as clinic in each area, and organize 4 teams of high school students to work these areas, for the weekend of Feb 29-Mar 1. We sent letters to all preachers , asking them to announce the clinics in their areas, and put up posters in Negro business establishments in both cities.

On Sat., Feb 29, each team canvassed its area. Sunday morning they spoke in churches in their area. Sunday eve. they taught the clinics in their area. As a result of this program 26 people became registered when the books opened. The number indicates limited success for such an all-out effort, and has pointed out our need for stronger and more imaginative programs.

III. The Olin Mathieson Project.

A letter of complaint, sponsored by several officers and members of the Negro local union at Olin plants in W. Monroe, outlining instances of discrimination and disc. practices, and asking for an investigation a nd remedial action was prepared by us and sent to Jim Farmer to be forwarded, with a covering letter to the President's Committee on Equal Employment Opportunity. Copies were also sent to influential conggessmentand newspapers. The letter was sent out on Mar. 3. No response as of yet.

Possible future action might be to ask local CORE chapters to pressure Olin plants and distributers in their areas.

IV. Community Organization and Involvement.

A. Chapter Development.

We have a high school group of 20 who are regularly involved in our activities. There are regular weekly meetings, and the group has nominated candidates for office as a start towards formal organization. We feel that this might be a bit premature, therefore we will make efforts to see that the officers ar for a limited time on a temporary basis. We have devel

oped several good adults whom we want to work into the organization before we set up any permanent structure.

B. Churches.

We have expanded our relations with Negro ministers and have been speaking at 10-15 churches per week. Also, we have 7 churches we have been using as clinics.

C. Community Leadership and Attitudes.

There is no active leadership body in the community at present. Those holdins positions of leadership or claiming them, seem dormant and inactive.

The men who have worked with us on the Olin Mathieson project are beginning to be drawn into all our efforts. They have lent us their cars, contributed money to our support, and are talking of buying us a car for CORE use in the area. These men, we feel, can provide real leadership. They are named in previous reports.

D. The NAACP and US. Or: "They think theyare great just because they wear those dirty, stinking overalls. I can do the same job in a suit and tie."

As we reported, Dr. Reddix began an NAACP membership drive which apparantly never got off the ground. Today, Mar. 18th, an NAACp worker, Mr. Lovely, arrived from the national office to explore possibilities for an NAACP VEP drive. He also discussed direct action and membership with Dr, Reddix. who really isn't too happy with us. This isn't our fault, incidentally. An NAACP field sec. is expected to arrive shortly, we think. He is John Edwards, who worked in this area before.

We shall continue to work as before, and not worry about the NAACP or a yone else

Community attitudes on this are the same as mentioned in previous reports.

V. The White Power Structure.

Several acts of intimidation and harrassement have been performed by the local gestapo in the past few weeks.

A. Monday night, 2 March, the police chief came to the Town House personally (a local Negro cafe) and picked up Mike Lesser and took him away to the police station-Mike says he was beginning to feel neglected-for questioning. Kelly demanded that Mike agree to no longer go to the Town House, claiming that he had been receiving many calls that Mike was "disturbing the peace" by being there. He threatened to have Mike arrested if he went there any more, and intimated that he would create an incident, if need be, to justify the arrest.

Mike refused to answer the chief's demand then, and after a conference with the owners of the Town House the next day, called the chief and told him NO. The problem has been discussed with Collins, Douglas and Klie.

The conversation with the chief also indicated other things.

The Monroe cops have a superb intelligence system, including stool-pigeons, telephone-taps and opening mail. The chief expressed enough interest in our records and files to make us sneak them out of town the next day. (They have the bus station completely covered, so we had someone drive us to Alexandria where we got the bus for Bat. Rouge.

B. One of the local volunteers was threatened with arrest by the registrar, a very excitable lady, when he demanded to know why she turned down an applicant. She threatens this often when a worker walks into her office and yells at her. But, noone has been arrested so far.

C. Last Friday, March 13, four local volunteers were turned over to the police by a bus driver when they refused to move from the front seat of the bus. They were released after questioning, and were told that Negroes could have all the freedom they wanted as long as they didn't do anything but voter registration.

The cops seem fairly willing to leave us alone as long as we don't do anything but v.r.

VI. Future Plans and Activities.

A. Build stronger student organization, with integration of adults into the group.

B. Begin to move into rural areas in the parish this week.

C. Mass v.r. rally soon.

This is a statistic report of the population in Caddo and parts of Bossier Parishes and Shreveport proper. This information has been obtain because of the possibility of having the southern summer project in the Caddo Parish area.

Caddo Parish

Population total		Urban	Rural	% of increase 1950-1960 total	Urban	Rural
1960-	223,859	180,903	42,956	26.8	35.6	0.4
1950-	176,547	133,429	43,118	-	-	-

Caddo Parish

1940-1960 Population by Wards an minor civil divisions

Wards	1960	1950	1940
1	3,817	4,300	6,468
2	8,009	8,370	9,987
3	13,706	7,896	4,924
4	172,716	137,363	106,439
5	6,720	4,350	4,631
6	2,385	2,370	2,489
7	9,189	3,094	1,915
8	3,664	4,369	6,147
9	3,653	4,435	7,203
Moringsport	864	709	748
N. Highlands	1,980	-	-
Vivian Town	2,624	2,624	2,460
N. Shreveport	7,701	--	--
Oil City	1,430	1,430	--
Shreveport (city)	164,372	127,206	98,167
Simmesport	2,125		

Caddo Parish population by race and sex - 1960

Negro male	38,149	white male	68,084	total male	106,233
Negro female	43,507	white female	74,119	total female	117,626

Age of population by color and sex in Caddo Parish

total population	223,859	21 and over	129,523		total
Negro male over 21	18,166	Negro female over 21	23,583		41,749
white male over 21	41,160	white female over 21	46,614		87,774

Rural population in Caddo Parish

Total 42,956 white 26,920 Negro 15,994 other 42

Rural population outside of places of 1,000-2,500

Total 39,546 Negro 15,703 white 23,802 other 41

over

Caddo Parish population by race in each of the wards

Wards	Negro	white	other	No. of Households-total	white	Negr
1	2,886	101	40	3,817	921	646
2	1,106	6,900	3	8,009	2,499	307
3	6,589	7,115	2	13,706	3,664	1,583
4	61,984	110,609	125	172,716-	52,323-	16,631
5	2,603	4,109	8	6,720	1,773	595
6	1,640	745	-	2,385	583	380
7	665	8,520	4	9,189	2,390	153
8	2,384	1,280	-	3,664	935	547
9	1,629	2,024	-	3,653-	1,049	403

Shreveport Metrop. Statistic Area by color

total	white male	Negro male	Negro female	white female
281,583	90,240	45,179	50,823	95,239

(Shreveport) Urban area by color

total	white male	Negro male	Negro female	white female
208,583	70,842	28,537	33,306	35,898

Minor civil divisions by race

North Shreveport

total 7,701 Negro 7,690 white 11 other -0- % Negro 99.9

Vivian Town

total 2,624 Negro 161 white 2,462 other 1 % Negro ~~[illegible]~~ 6.53

North Highlands

total 1,980 Negro 4 white 1,976 other -0- % Negro 0.2

Oil City

total 1,430 Negro 287 white 1,142 other 1 %Negro 2.05

Moringsport

total 864 Negro ? white other % Negro ?

Shreveport (city)

total 164,372 Negro 56,605 (103 in Bossier city) white 107,664 % Negro 34.5

When Ronnie gets out of jail we can submit another report covering places to live and contacts in the area.

If you'll note in wards 3, 5, and 9 the Negro population is near 50% and in wards 1, 4, 6, 8, and North Shreveport the Negro population ranges from 50% to 99.9% in North Shreveport. As evidence as to what can be done in the area, here are some figures from the last election. The total vote in the Parish was only 64,555. There are almost as many Negroes in the 4th ward as the total vote was. Now only 1,1990 Negro were registered as of March of this year in the 4th ward and only 931 voted. These figures go even ~~further~~ farther out of proportion in the rural and outline areas of Caddo Parish.

Isaac Reynolds

FIELD REPORT - EAST FELICIANA

Apr. 1 - 15, 1964

VEP: People are continuing t o go to the registrar's office on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, and as usual the office is closed or the registrar tells them that he is still not going to register anyone until everything is straightened out.

CHAPTER DEVELOPMENT: 1) Community Relief Fund: $100.00 was given to the CORE lawyers to aid them in filing the library suit. There is hardly any money left in the Relief fund now, only a couple of hundred dollars and that isn't much help to anyone because at this moment no loans can be made to anyone. This money that is in the CRF now will be used wisely, and that is to pay important bills. There are problems and misunderstandings expected now to arise over the CRF. The CRF Committee will meet in the near future to discuss these problems and think of new ways to raise money for t he Relief Fund.

2) CORE Chapter development: The local CORE Chapter members have started to raise funds for the chapter. They have chosen committees to work on different committees to work on different activities they have planned in order to raise money.

They have also started a membership drive in order to increase the chapter membership. Also, they are contacting members who were active in the summer and grew lazy in the fall, urging them to re-unite with the Chapter.

DIRECT ACTION: Library case: On April 9, 1964 the co ntinuation of the trial of the five boys who were arrested during a visit to the library was held. However, as everyone had expected, they were found guilty as cha rged. They haven't been sentenced as yet, but they will be on May 26. Also, during the trial Mrs. Marcia Perkins, librarian of the Audubon Regional Library, testified under oath that Negroes are allowed to use the library if they are citizens of one of the three parishes.

PUBLIC INTIMIDATION: Sheriff Arch V. Doughty has said that he is going to have a fence with electric charg e at the top to put around the jail because it is his feeling that they are going to have trouble with CORE demonstrators this summer. I don't know whether he said this because he means it or because he wants to scare the Negroes, mostly mothers and fathers so that they would keep their children from partici p ating in CORE activities.

Submitted by,

Loria Davis
Clinton, La.
Apr. 14, 1964

CAPITAL VOTERS LEAGUE

MASONIC HALL
LAUREL HILL, LA.

APRIL 25, 1964
10:30 A.M.

Mr. Herbert Bell presiding

I. Opening

II. Business - Mr. Herbert Bell

Constitution
By-Laws
Membership

III. Parish reports - parish representatives

Registration gains since January, 1964
Problems

IV. Political action - Rev. Ronnie Moore

Delegation to national Democratic Party Convention
Other possible protests
Implementation

INTERMISSION

V. Further political action: summer projects - CORE Staff

Voter registration drive
Congressional candidate and political campaign
Freedom registration

VI. Implementation of plans

Parish committees

VII. Closing

CAPITOL VOTERS LEAGUE

Masonic Hall
Laurel Hill, La.

April 25, 1964
10:30 A.M.

After Rev. Carter opened the meeting, Mr. Herbert Bell, president of the Capitol Voters League introduced several matters of business.

Mr. Bell reported the following expenses:

lawyers' fees.....	$59.00
seal.....	13.60
500 membership cards...	7.73
TOTAL	$80.33

He noted tha t the Treasurer will be bonded.

Mr. Bell stressed the importance of the Voters League, both in terms of becoming a strong political force in endorsing white candidates, but also in terms of running its own candidates.

There was a brief discussion of a clause in the By-Laws which requires that members of the League be registered voters. It was explained that this meant that either they were registered or meant to become registered as soon as they could. An amendment to make the clause more clear will be offered at the next meeting.

PARISH REPORTS:

Ascension: Reporter - Mr. Henry Washington. There is a Negro registration at present of over 3,300, and people aren't having much trouble in registering. The registrar is very cooperative. The biggest problem is apathy in the Negro community. About 100 people registered since Jan., 1964.

Pointe Coupee: Reporter - Mr. Sampson Jackson. About 100 people have been registered since Jan., 1964, but there are still numerous restrictions in registering. With CORE's aid, last summer 482 people took the registration test, and 170 passed. There is still potential for voter registration work, especially for such issues as the Court House, the Welfare Department, and the vocational school.

West Feliciana: Reporter - Rev. Joe Carter. Only 13 people were registered before the first primary, but since then the books haven't been opened. Moreover, the white folks have pulled other tricks, like shooting out the light in front of the hall, and several men have been shot at.

Iberville: Reporter - Dr. Bertrand Tyson. Due to an intensive voter registration drive, the sheriff and the representative were voted out of office, but since then the registrar has been stricter. About 20 people have been registered since Jan.

St. Helena: Reporter - John Hall. Although he didn't have figures on the number of people registered since Jan., he reported that registration is still a battle.

East Feliciana: Reporter - Mr. Robert Thompson. The situation in E. Fel. remains the same as that in W. Fel.

POLITICAL ACTIONS: Ronnie Moore

Ronnie Moore described the protest against the all-white delegation to the National Democratic Party Convention. He suggested that an 11 member delega tion of Negroes be chosen at the meeting which would go to the meeting of the Democratic State Central Committee and demand to be seated. If refused, the delegat ion would meet separately and elect two or four delegates to go to the National Convention in Atlantic City in August. In separate meetings of each parish represented at the meeting, the following delegates were chosen:

East Feliciana: Hazel P. Scott
West Felicia na: Rev. Carter
St. Helena: Ellis Howard
Pointe Coupee: Sampson Jackson
Iberville: Dr. Berttrand Tyson
Ascension: Mr. Henry Washington
East Baton Rouge - Ronnie Moore

A separate meeting of the delega tes will be held before the State Central Committee meets. At the same t ime, an attempt will be made to get representat ives from the parishes not rep resent ed at today's meeting: Livingston, St. Tammany, Washington, and Tang ipahoa.

FURTHER POLITICAL ACTION: Mimi Feingold

Mimi Feingold described the summer project in some detail. In addition to running a Negro for Congress, it was suggested that Negro candidates run in local elections. The following local elections were noted:

Ascension: school board, including a ward where Negroes outnumber whites.
Iberville: school board, ward 9
East Feliciana: school board (?)
West Feliciana: none
Pointe Coupee: justice of the peace, school board
St. Helena: ?
East Baton Rouge: mayor, councilman, school board

Representatives from each parish than gave their reactions to the plans, and the potential in their parish.

Pointe Coupee: People would be interested in the plans. Mr. Jackson can be contacted for housing, etc.
Iberville: Probably not very good potential for freedom registration. Lawrence Mitchell can be contacted for housing, etc.
East Feliciana: Plans very appealing. Contact: Hazel Scott
West Feliciana: " " " Contact: Mr. Ellria Chriss
St. Helena: Good potential for FR. Contact: John Hall
Ascension: No potential at all.

Submitted by: Mimi Feingold

FIELD REPORT - ST. HELENA

Apr. 14-30, 1964

VEP: Ellis Howard and his son, David, continue their VR work. They have not, however, been able to report on the number of people registered this month. Representatives from this parish attended the CVL meeting in St. Francisville.

DIRECT ACTION: Until recently, the young people, most of them in the Youth Council of the NAACP, have continued, every few days, to return to the library in Greensberg and attempt to enter it. On all occasions the librarian closed the building when she saw them coming; the branch is now permanently closed. On several occasions the young people followed up the attempt on the library with a trip to the Court House, where they tried to use the white facilities. On Wed., Apr. 22 a group of five young men headed by David Howard again tried to use the Court House facilities. As they were drinking out of the white fountain, the white janitor approached them and struck one boy, Sterling Hall, with a lead pipe. The boy was taken to Independence Hospital, treated, and released. The incident was reported to the local authorities, and is now being investigated by the FBI.

The community is attempting to raise money to help defray legal expenses arising from the library case.

Submitted by,

Mimi Feingold
Howard Messing
Clinton, La.
Apr. 29, 1964

FIELD REPORT - WEST FELICIANA

Apr. 14-30, 1964

VRT: The status quo prevails. Like the East Feliciana registrar, Fletcher Harvey, the Registrar in St. Francisville, went before Federal Court Judge E. Gordon West on Mon., Apr. 27. His testimony indicated that most of the Negro voters in the parish would be more qualified than he to be registrar. Interest in VR remains high. On Apr. 25 a general meeting of the Capital Voters League was held in St. Francisville (Masonic Hall) - see report of meeting.

CHAPTER DEVELOPMENT: 1) Community Relief Fund: The Relief Fund continues, along with the CORE Chapter to bear the expenses of the movement in West Feliciana.

2) CORE Chapter: The Chapter's only recent activity has been to prepare for the Capitol Voters League meeting. It plans within the next two weeks to run a non-violent clinic for those members who were accepted since the last clinic, and to renew canvassing in all areas of the parish. The Chapter is taking shape; committees are now functioning, and the chairman and vice-chairman are developing into excellent leaders.

DIRECT ACTION: The four young men who entered the library in Clinton appeared in court on Tues., Apri 28 in relation to the suit to desegregate the library. See the East Feliciana report for further details.

HARRASSMENTS: None reported.

Submitted by,

Mimi Feingold
Howard Messing
Clinton, La.
Apr. 29, 1964

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May 13, 1964

To: James T. McCain
Richard Haley
Wiley Branton

From: Ronnie M. Moore

Re: Voter registration in Louisiana

Practical aspects of 21 parish decision from Federal judiciary:

1. Registrars are still turning Negroes down in large numbers based on the "technical error" technique used traditionally to disqualify Negroes on the application form instead of the Constitutional tests which no longer can be used according to the Federal decree. Therefore, to register Negro potential voters is just as difficult without the test being in use.

2. Intimidations as in the past are still occurring.

Closed registration books:

1. Ouachita Parish - Election
2. East Feliciana Parish - since Nov. 7, 1963 due to Federal action
3. West Feliciana Parish - same as for East Feliciana

Work at hand:

1. Scouting all parishes in the 5th and 6th Congressional District for summer project.

2. Coordinating voter registration efforts in the 26 parishes. May should be a fruitful month.

3. Laying groundwork for bringing in 50 workers to do voter registration in the 26 parishes.

4. Setting up a 26 parish Leadership Conference - June 8, 1964

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103 North 10th Street
Monroe, Louisiana
May 14, 1964

Mr. Ronnie Moore
306 Ivey Street
Plaquemine, Louisiana

Dear Ronnie,

This is a quick summary of our scouting so far with some preliminary recommendations and thoughts.

1. Tensas. We have not been there yet, but a priest, Frere Thompson, from Ferriday, is going to check the parish out for us this weekend, and according to his report we will decide whether to scout it next week. However, from recent reports things are very tough there since Negroes started to register, and reprisals have frightened the most militant people there.

2. Madison. Brown and Richardson are in Tallulah as I write this, and we will let you know what we think when they return.

3. East Carroll. Rev. Scott seems to have the parish pretty well in hand. He and his citizens group are carrying out registration work, although from his description it is not as thorough and effective as we would do. But, it seeme to be the best organized parish we have visited, outside of those we are working. They are having a meeting on May 21 which we will try to attend.

4. West Carroll. Rev. Scott says that Negroes are greatly outnumbered by whites here. Oddly enough he says many school teachers are registered. But, there is no leadership. We have had no contacts there, but will try to scout it.

5. Richland. From all indications so far we can and should work this parish. There are leaders here, but no leadership-if you get what I mean. There are potential leaders who do not provide any continuing leadership and direction to the community, but only get together momentarily on individual issues. Jasper Williams and Dr. Merrick talk militantly, but we have doubts as to their willingness to stick their necks out. We are planning a meeting with "community leaders" after school lets out. Might be able to find housing. The problem here is apathy. Registration is easy.

6. Catahoula. We have spoken to one contact in this parish-the high school principal in Sicily Island. He infers that there is no problem in registration and that they don't need us. Our impression is that Negroes have been used politically by white office holders who contact this principal and one or two other "Negro leaders" to herd Negroes to the registration office at election time. We plan to go back and contact other people in the parish.

7. Concordia. This is a real rough area. Our only contact is a young Negro Catholic priest, Frere Thompson, who has been in the parish only 1½ years, and who has already been reprimanded by the bishop for his civil rights activities. Frere Thompson is a very courageous man and wants to help, despite his Bishop and despite the fact that he is under constant surveillance by the police. He is very pessimistic about the people in the area and feels there are no local Negroes willing to sacrifice for the movement. Howevr, he plans to try to arouse dome interest, and we have promised to come back this week to meet with him.

8. Franklin. This may be the worst parish of all. Our only contact is under constant harrssement by the local busters, according to reports, and the KKK is very active. We are trying to make contact with other people here.

9. Morehouse. Registration is no problem. Getting Negroes to register is. We have made better contacts than MR. and Mrs. Adams, and have spoken to one, Doug Riser. He feels that we could be of great use in the parish, but that local people would be scared off by interracial teams working and living in the parish. He doubts we could find housing for whites. Some Clan activity. Our feeling is that we should work the parish and commute from Monroe at the start. More scouting.

10. Jackson. We have contacted Mr. Flanagan again and he was as enthusiastic as before. Says however, that he cant get meeting together until school lets out at end of May. We think we should work here. Should be able to get housing.

11. Lincoln. You probably know more from your talk with McNeal. at Grambling. We should scout the Ruston area. Probably won't work there but should offer partime help.

12. Caldwell. Caldwell parish is full of good white folks who give Negroes what they want if they ask--as long as it isn't integration. The leadership in this parish seems to be old. The head man is W.P. Moore, high school principal who lives in

a white residential area and was MCKeithen's guest at the inauguration last week. There is one man we have seen who shows promise, and one or two we havent seen. But, generally it seems the folk don't want trouble--spelled CORE. Registration is pretty easy. The registrar is a lovable old man and the sherriff is "peachy keen." And our school is as good as theirs and white folks love Negroes and everybody is happy. Yes, the whole parish is segregated. However, there does seem some basis of organization. Negroes have boycotted some places which have been the scene of incidents. And, we might have some grass r oots support for a program. Needs more scouting.

13. Union. We have not yet returned to Union parish, but feel, after our talk with Miss. Bright that we should plan to work here. Will go back next week.

O.K. Now let me give some personal observations which Henry Brown concurs in. It is my feeling that we should choose 4-6 parishes in the 5th Congressional District for the project and concentrate our efforts with no less than 4, and more if possible, workers in each parish. Some parishes will need 7-8 workers. I do not feel we will find housing for interracial teams in most of the parishes--if any housing at all, and we sho should plan to house the workers in Monroe and 1 or 2 other places, and have them commute daily to their areas. I feel this will be necessary, at least at the beginning. I think we can work it so that noone need travel more than 30 miles to their area from where they will live.

I think we need to concentrate our efforts in a few parishes rather than spread out into 8 parishes. My reasons are grounded in the reception I feel the whites will give us--tough. After we have begun we can then spread out. But, initially, the Negroes in most of these parishes will be scared to death of us. The approach used in moving into W. Feliciana from E.Felic. is like what I mean, although in most of these parishes the problem is not the registrars as in W. Felic.

Well, we can talk about this when we have more complete information.

Freedom brother,

Mike

Mike

cc: Dick Haley
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Can we discuss?

May 21, 1964

Voter Education Project
Mrs. Barbara I. Whitaker, Research Assistant
Room 206
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Whitaker:

First of all, I would like to say that monthly narrative and statistical reports are forwarded usually on schedule before the 10th of each month to the National Office of CORE, c/o Mr. James McCain, and from New York reports are sent to your office in Atlanta.

By the questions you raised in your letter of May 10, 1964, I am led to believe that you have not received all of our reports. However, I shall endeavor to answer your questions concerning the parishes you mentioned on a parish-by-parish basis. Before doing that, I would like to make a few general comments about the VEP in Louisiana.

1) We are faced daily with problems of transportation and manpower. We are trying to service 26 parishes in the Fifth and Sixth Congressional Districts of Louisiana with ten task force workers and three cars.

2) We have two main coordinating centers for voter registration at Plaquemine and Monroe, Louisiana.

3) In each parish we have been to work, we have conducted extensive canvassing, numerous voter registration clinics, held rallies, etc. In areas where there are good leadership figures and voter organizations, we try to work in a coordinated fashion utilizing as much local help as possible. In such areas we just periodically check the voter registration progress and report our findings to your office (when we find something to report). We do not report on every parish assigned every month because in some months we don't have anything to report because local people didn't push voter registration and we couldn't get there to do it for them.

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4) We don't get to every parish assigned each month. Matter of fact, we have not been able to get to all the parishes since our commencing of voter registration in March, 1962.

5) For your general information, I would like to throw in that CORE started its VEP activities in March, 1962 when 20 workers stationed in East Baton Rouge Parish were asked to work only in the first ward of that parish. From March to September, 1962 we worked only in East Baton Rouge Parish.

September, 1962 to May, 1963 we were assigned eight parishes of the Sixth Congressional District which I surveyed, canvassed, and promoted voter registration in by myself with only one car and relying only on local people for assistance.

In May, 1963, CORE assigned Spiver Gordon as a task force worker to assist me in voter registration and to lay groundwork for extensive voter registration summer projects which took place in the Sixth Congressional District from July 14 to August 25, 1963 with over 50 participants. A check of our records and of yours will show that the summer project have voter registration in the said district a great push.

After the project ended in August, 1963, from then to this day, 10 task force workers have been assigned to Louisiana to continue voter registration in the Sixth Congressional District and to expand activities into the Fifth Congressional District. With such limited manpower, finances, and transportation it is literally impossible to us to be in every parish every month and when we are not, in some parishes nothing is done. However, we try to work each month in as many parishes as possible.

Now, enough about the general impediments encountered in our voter registration endeavors in Louisiana. I could go on and discuss areas and personalities. However, I shall try to confine my subsequent remarks in reference to three areas of thought: (1) activities in the parishes you mentioned before March, 1962;

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(2) parishes we have not been able to work and reasons why cannot and/or could not work them; and (3) what parishes involved in the 21 parish Federal decree we can work and par ishes of the 21 we cannot work with the limited available resources. I shall try to deal with the above on a parish-by-parish basis.

East Baton Rouge: After corresponding with National CORE and VEP it was decided that voter registration could best be conducted in this parish by local people; namely, the Second Ward Voters League (Acie Belton, President) and the local NAACP branch. I refer to the letter of Mr. Wiley Branton of August 13, 1963. Periodically, upon the request of local leaders, we send in workers to assist. I don't think that we should work this parish on a permanent basis because of anti-CORE sentiment and split Negro leadership, as well as numerous unethical political coalitions. Whenever the local leaders want us we go in to help as we did when we last reported on December 15, 1963. Prior to March, 1963, the same problems existed in the Negro community. The registrar, Jodie Smith, has never changed. He is considered by some as a liberal registrar.

East and West Feliciana Parishes: Prior to March, 1963 there were no Negroes registered in West Feliciana Parish and less than 72 Negroes registered in East Feliciana. Of course, from Oct. 17 to Nov. 7, 1963 we managed to get 13 Negroes registered out of 67 applicants. In East Feliciana prior to March, 1963, there was a purge which took over 1,500 Negroes off the registration rolls.

Federal suits are pending against the registrar, Fletcher Harvey, in West Feliciana and Earl Palmer in East Feliciana. As the result of the Federal suits filed individually against the registrars and the 21 parish Federal decree, these registrars have closed their doors to registering anyone. We have sent numerous persons to registration offices in both parishes since Nov. 7, 1963, and the registrars will accept neither white nor black applicants. The Justice Department is trying to force the registrars to accept applicants. When the Justice Department gets the registrars to accept applicants, then registration progress will begin once again in these parishes.

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Plaquemines and St. Bernard Parishes: We have only done scouting in these parishes and cannot work them because of geographic location, staff limitations, and fear of severe economic and physical reprisals by the local people. Mary Hamilton, who is no longer in Louisiana, is responsible for this area.

West Baton Rouge: As in East Baton Rouge, CORE should only periodically work because the same conditions exist.

Ouachita: Due to parish elections, registration books were closed for April and several other weeks, but reopened on May 18, 1964. In this parish, the registrar, Mrs. Mae Lucky, is very technical. The Justice Department has filed a suit against her and the local Federal judge has given both sides 120 days to file briefs. No relief is forseeable at the present moment here.

Iberville, St. Helena, Pointe Coupee, Tangipahoa, and Ascension: These parishes are ripe for voter registration and we are doing our best to get people registered. However, we have problems of apathy, Uncle Tom leadership, limited community support, etc., but we are making progress.

We are still doing our best to establish community roots in Washington Parish.

In Ouachita Parish we shall continue to use as a base for north Louisiana voter registra tion activities Monroe, expanding (retroactive May 1, 1964) to Jackson, Union, Morehouse, Richland, Madison, and Franklin Parishes. We periodically check on Tensas Parish because local people don't want us to work there on a large scale and definit ely they don't want us there working openly.

We cannot work Avoyelles, Bienville, East Carroll, Rapides, St. Landry, West Carroll, and Webster because of these reasons: (1) geographic location; (2) quality of our contacts; and (3) community attitudes towards CORE, and, most important, because of limited manpower, transportation, and finances. note

21 Parish Decision: The pa rishes involved which we'll be able to work are those named on our enclosed parish

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parish assignments for the same reasons that we cannot work the other parishes previously discussed.

However, let me point out that although these 21 registrars are not using the old and new constitutional tests, registration is still difficult because they are blocking applicants for technical errors on the application forms. No significant change has been made in voter registration because of this decision.

I am enclosing several scouting reports which may help you understand our position.

According to our records, y our office should have reports for:

Ouachita Parish: 2/1/64 - 3/31/64
St. Helena: 2/1/64 - 3/31/64
Tensas: 2/1/64 - 3/31/64
Iberville: 2/1/64 - 3/31/64
} not rec'd

April reports have been sent to you for Pointe Coupee, Iberville, Ascension, and St. Helena. Our April field reports have already been mailed to you by way of National CORE in New York. I am enclosing our recent staff assignments and scouting reports recently submitted by staff. not rec'd

We shall do our best to send you a detailed statistical and marrative report on each parish worked or visited every month. However, as you probably know, writing of reports is a problem for field workers.

I hope that these comments have thrown some light on the questions at hand. For additional information, please write us again. I know you will.

By the way, May should be a fruitful month for voter registration in our area.

Very truly yours,

Ronnie M. Moore

Ronnie M. Moore
Field Secretary, CORE

cc: Richard Haley
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Staff	Area	Remarks
Mike Lesser Henry Brown Claudia Edwards Thomas Richardson (volunteer)	Fifth District: Ouachita Jackson Madison Union Morehouse Richland Franklin Tensas (periodic checking)	One car leased by CORE
Howard Messing Mimi Feingold Loria Davis Tom Valentine Spiver Gordon Lawrence Mitchell	Sixth District: Iberville Pointe Coupee East Feliciana West Feliciana St. Tammany St. Helena Ascension Washington Tangipahoa Livingston	One car leased by CORE

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June 18, 1964

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT
Mr. Wiley Branton
5 Forsyth Street, Room 502
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Wiley:

Enclosed are the VEP Reports for February and March.

Reports for East and West Feliciana were not submitted because the books are closed due to the twenty-one (21) parish suit.

Yours truly,

Lawrence A. Mitchell Jr.

Lawrence A. Mitchell Jr.

cc: Jim T. McCain
Enclosures

Note:
Reports in respective folders.
JS

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Louisiana Voter Educational Project

Organization: CORE, 306 Ivey St., Plaquemine, La.

From: Bonnie Moore

Date Submitted: June 27,1964

Period covered: June 1, June 25, 1964

Parish	Cong. Dist.	Number(#) Canvassed	# at Clinics	# Applied	# regist.	# denied	#Contacted at churches, etc.
Tangipahoa	6	1876	802	187	35	152	3101
St. Helena	6	1672	487	189	44	145	2086
E. Feliciana	6	1487	296	97	4	93	2140
W. Feliciana	6	1281	693	167	8	159	1871
Iberville	6	1988	878	298	97	201	2333
Pointe Coupee	6	1486	296	98	33	65	1872
Ascension	6	708	287	59	41	18	989
Jackson	5	897	576	39	38	1	1486
Ouachita	5	2879	498	159	17	142	3876
TOTALS	2 Cong. Dist. & 9 Parishes	13574	4813	1293	317	976	19754

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VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

ORGANIZATION: CORE
36 Ivey Street
Plaquemine, Louisiana

JUL 22 1964

PERSON REPORTING: Ronnie Moore

PERIOD COVERED: June 1 to June 25, 1964

DATE SUBMITTED: June 27, 1964

PARISH	CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT	NUMBER REGISTERED AS A RESULT OF THIS PROGRAM
Tangipahoa	6	35
St. Helena	6	44
East Feliciana	6	4
West Feliciana	6	8
Iberville	6	97
Pointe Coupee	6	33
Ascension	6	41
Jackson	5	38
Ouachita	5	17

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306 Ivey St.
Plaquemine, La.
July 20, 1964

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(Mrs.) Barbara I. Whitaker
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council
Room 206
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, 3, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Whitaker:

I am returning the three progress reports that you sent back to us for clarification. The clarifying changes are written in on the report sheets. Sorry for the delay.

Yours for freedom,

Ronnie M. Moore

Ronnie M. Moore
Field Sec. Core

RMM/jpw

Reports respective folders

July 17, 1964

Mr. Ronnie Moore
306 IveryStreet
Plaquemine, Louisiana

RE: VWP 3-5

Dear Mr. Moore:

I am enclosing three progress reports you sent to us back in June because there is some question in my mind as to whether these reports are all for Iberville Parish or not.

Would you clear up this matter for me so that my records can be accurate and correct?

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Barbara I. Whitaker

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STATISTICAL AND VOTER REGISTRATION INFORMATION

PERIOD: June 1, 1964--August 31, 1964

The voter registration books were opened from June 1 to June 25, 1964.

Books are closed from June 26 to July 26, 1964--30 days prior to the first Democratic primary for state and federal election.

Books will be opened -- July 27, 28, & 29 when we expect to flood the office of 9 or more registrars in 9 or more parishes and expect to net over 500M registered voters.

From July 29 -- August 29, Books will be closed prior to the second Democratic primary.

Field reports will be sent to you on or about August 3, 1964.

Yours for freedom,

Ronnie M. Moore

Ronnie M. Moore;
Field Secretary, CORE

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FRANK ROBINSON - CORE REPORT ON SOUTH CAROLINA FOR AUGUST

South Carolina

		No. Registered
Darlington		59
Dillion		11
Florence		88
Georgetown		21
Horry		5
Marion		22
Marlboro		14
Lee		23
Williamsburg	(Election Day)	Books closed
Sumpter		62
York		64
Yorkfield		59
Spartanburg	(Election day)	6
Kenshaw		76
Lancaster		14
Chesterfield		88
Chester		8
Union		10
Cherokee		7

(Part of RtB5 Field Trip Report dated October 16, 1963 - "A Continuation of Report Started 10/9/63 Covering trips to N.C., The D. of C., VA., and S.C.)

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Dated 9/21/64

Last portion of Memo entitled: Field Trip to New Orleans and Baton Rouge, Louisiana - by JLT

Baton Rouge, Louisiana:

Ronnie Moore is a very difficult person to contact for consultation on the CORE project. He is seemingly all over the state at one time. After experiencing maximum difficulty, I finally met Mr. Moore in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. He was involved in moving the state office of CORE from Plaquemine, Louisiana, to Baton Rouge. This process had recruited most of the state staff, and they were as busy as ants trying to finish and return by nightfall to their respective assignments for night meetings and instruction schools. The address of the new state CORE voter office is:

CORE
P. O. General Delivery
Louise Street Branch
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

I am to be notified of the phone number when it is installed.

Mr. Moore expressed to my satisfaction that his staff is working in the field to increase voter registration. The CORE staff consists of 17 statewide workers who are paid $25 per week, of which expenses and transportation are to be paid. Mr. Moore, in a proposal to the National CORE office, wishes to increase the number of paid staff personnel to 31.

CORE is concentrating its efforts in two areas, the 5th and 6th districts.

In the 6th District, the workers are assigned as follows:
Ouachita - (Monroe, Louisiana, 5 workers.)

In the 6th District:
1st ward - East Baton Rouge (4 workers)
Iberville Parish - (2 workers)
Ascension - (2 workers)
Pointe Coupee (1 worker)
East Feliciana)
West Feliciana) - (2 workers)
St. Helena)

Mr. Moore stated he would fill requests with his staff to help local civic groups in the following:

Tangipahoa
St. Tammany
Washington
Livingston

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Tyrone

These staff persons canvass and get people to come out on a designated night for registration procedure instructions, then take them to the registrar's office to register. The staff, as estimated by Mr. Moore, usually contact at least 2200 non-registered persons a month, of which about 300 get registered.

The CORE staff members are faced with four main problems: 1) The registration procedure as administered by the registrar and his deputies, 2) The purging of the voter lists every time there is a substantial increase in newly registered voters, 3) A lack of desire after so many attempts have been made to register, and 4) A fear of economic reprisal. (Example - an unfounded fear of being removed from the welfare rolls if an individual registers and votes.)

Mr. Moore has made a proposal to the National CORE office for a $100,000.00 budget (see attached sheets) for Louisiana. He will receive andanswer to his request by September 26, 1964. Mr. Moore expressed a feeling that summer projects were fine, but projects the year-round are needed to get the job done in Louisiana. He also said he preferred any grants or funds given to his organization be given to the National CORE, and it would save him administrative time and responsibility. Besides, he states, it would take away from his effectiveness in raising funds if someone would give the Louisiana CORE a small grant. He said, "Although we need money, in fact, we have bills totaling over $500 - a small grant by an agency like VEP wouldn't go very far, and we'd need to ask for more."Then, to eliminate this, we are trying to get one large grant which hopefully will meet our needs."

In talking with some of the CORE staff members who could be reached, they voiced some of the same feelings, goals, and disappointments as did Mr. Moore. Attached is a list of the present CORE staff in Louisiana.

JT:js
Attachments.

To: Wiley Branton

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FIELD REPORT

DIRECT ACTION, ECONOMIC BOYCOTTS, AND RELATED ACTIVITY

September, 1963

EAST FELICIANA PARISH:

As a result of the activity of the Task Force this summer, an informal chapter of CORE was organized in Clinton in mid-August. During September it was extended to cover the whole parish. Headed by Corrie Collins of Clinton, the chapter draws from 20 to 40 people to its meetings, but according to Ed Vickery, only four people can be counted on. The group is currently sponsoring a boycott of all East Feliciana white- or Tom-owned business establishments, and it plans to start a picket line at two stores in Clinton if necessary. Clinton's new disturbing-the-peace laws, an exact copy of Plaquemine's, limits pickets at any one store to two, picketing five feet apart. (These laws may be an aid to CORE, since there may be no more than four or five persons willing to picket.)

The boycott is part of a campaign to win equal job opportunities, as well as justice on all levels, for the Negro citizens of East Feliciana. Specifically, it serves to dranatize the fact that thousands of Negroes are being denied the right to vote in East Feliciana; in boycotting, they are voting with their dollars instead of the ballot. Other grievances for which they boycott include desegregation of the public library, desegregation of all public facilities, and desegregation of the parking lots.

In conjunction with the boycott, efforts are being made to open a gas station in East Feliciana, on land donated by one of the Negro residents there.

As part of Clinton's efforts to destroy CORE, the town has issued a restraining order against all forms of demonstrating and free assembly (closely modeled after E. Gordon West's creations). In order to prove that CORE should be restrained, special counsel for Clinton is attempting to show that CORE is part of the "international Communist conspiracy" and hearings have been set for Oct. 14. In preliminary hearings on September 30, Ronnie Moore turned over the names of the Task Force workers, for whom subpoenaes were immediately issued. At this hearing, witnesses were tricked into taking the stand without their lawyer's being present; an agreement had been made earlier to postpone the hearings, but the D.A. later renegged on that agreement.

WEST BATON ROUGE:

A CORE group is in the making in Port Allen. With a membership of about 25 young people, age range: 16-23, it is now actively involved in the voter registration campaign. Almost half of the members are young people who helped with the drive this summer,

Ronnie Moore

and have given upaa year of school to continue this work.

At present, no direct action is planned. The community is split on this question, but one of the most powerful leaders, Hall Davis, is against demonstrations, and his help is needed for the success of the voter registration drive as well as the development of the CORE chapter. Mr. Davis is now conducting negotiations with the Town Council. His stated objectives are to find a man to run against the current mayor in the election next year, but the community understands these meetings as Davis' giving the Council the "straight facts" about what is happening in the Negro community. Rev. Warner of Shiloh Baptist Church presents another obstacle to CORE activity; he has forbidden any outsiders to speak in his church, and has spoken out against the children's participating in the demonstrations in Plaquemine.

The only action taken by the CORE chapter recently was the organization of a memorial walk and prayer service in memory of the Birmingham girls. CORE was able to obtain a parade permit from the mayor, the sheriff, and the chief of police, and the marchers were given police protection. About 75 people walked from a church to the courthouse, where a brief prayer was said, then returned to the church.

TANGIPAHOA:

In a surprise move, on Sept. 5 a loosely organized student group in Hammond demonstrated, 300 strong, in front of the high school, and marched to the City Hall. At the City Hall, the mayor spoke with two or three representatives of the group, and the demonstrators dispersed. The mayor agreed to a meeting with representatives of the student group, but no date was set and the meeting was never held. The following day about 270 students were suspended from school for missing class, but within a few days the students were allowed to come back to school, with only mild punishments.

In the following days there were a series of meetings between the mayor, white business leaders, and Negro leaders, culminating in a meeting on Sept. 7 between the City Council and the Negro leaders, at which a five-point program was presented. Those five points were: public accomodations, school opening in September on a depsegregated basis, integrated park facilities, equal job opportunities and fair wages, and a biracial committee. The meeting was a failure, largely because there was no agreement among the Commissioners, one of whom is a liberal, one is a rabid conservative, and the mayor is a middle-of-the-road man. Following this meeting, a white minister took the initiative in calling together white businessmen. After conferring with the Negro leaders, the white group recommended a biracial committee to the mayor. The mayor consented, and on Sept. 9 hand-picked a 16-man committee (8 whites and 8 Negroes, with a white chairman), which is only empowered to make recommendations to the City Council through the mayor. The meetings of the committee are not open to the public. Although no member of CORE is on the committee,

the mayor has agreed to allow a CORE observer, as soon as CORE chooses one. In the meantime, Galway Kinnell is conducting informal conversations with several white and Negro leaders, in an effort to bring about desegregation without demonstrations.

The biracial committee is working on a lengthy list of demands, including desegregation of the park, removal of signs on rest rooms, better jobs, desegregation of restaurants, and desegregation of the movie theater. It cannot consider desegregation of the schools, since this is in the jurisdiction of the School Board.

A CORE chapter was organized Sept. 4 and is composed primarily of young people age 16-50, including several of the leaders of the Sept. 5 demonstrations. It is holding off demonstrations to five the biracial committee a chance to work. In the meantime, it is testing all the facilities in town, and drawing up an inventory of segregation in Hammond. It plans to boycott all segregated facilities, but without picket lines.

POINTE COUPEE:

Catching the spirit of Plaquemine, the Negro people of New Roads are in the process of organizing for action on all levels. Three rellies in the past month have focused attention not only on the unjustices incurred at the registrar's office, but also on the general state of inequality in the town in general. CORE Task Force workers helped organized the rallies and provide the speakers.

In response to pressure from the Negro community, the mayor suggested that an all-Negro group be formed that would present him with the major grievances from the Negro community. The announcement of the general meeting to elect this committee was made at the Catholic church, ensuring Catholic control of the committee. The committee drew up a list of 18 grievances, which included desegregation of the vocational school, the appointment of a full-time Negro policeman with all privileges, desegregation of the parish fair, jobs in the welfare department, removal of all segregation signs in public places, desegregation of all lunch counters and recreational facilities, and incorporation of eleven areas. The mayor took action on only two of the grievances: he will set up safety signs in the Negro areas, and he will enforce the law against teenagers' drinking. There are at present efforts to create a parish-wide committee.

The failure of the mayor to produce more tangible results has considerably angered the Negro community, especially the young people. A CORE chapter has formed in the past few weeks, and plans to hold a march on Oct. 12. The leaders will discuss whether or not to apply for a parade permit. The group has also planned a general boycott of all New Roads stores. In preparation for these activities, Ruthie Wells, Shirley Thompson, Mike Lesser, and Tom Valentine supervised a non-violent training session. The October 12 march will be aimed at desegregation of

the parish fair, and will also be a protest of the city officials' failure to do anything about the Negro people's demands.

Although voter registration has not been a major issue to date, the CORE task force workers will try to direct attention toward this problem, with the possibility of direct action against the registrar: sit-ins in the registrar's office, picket lines, etc.

IBERVILLE:

CORE is carrying on a 90% successful selective buying campaign against all Plaquemine merchants. We are conducting periodic picket lines. We have distributed 2,000 car stickers as the one enclosed. We constantly hold rallies for voter registration, political indoctrination, and direct action at churches throughout the parish.

Indications that the boycott is effective continue to pour in: the manager of one store said he would hire Negroes, and another merchant came to us to ask us to call off the line at his store. Two stores in Seymourville have closed down, and people have voluntarily sacrificed thousands of dollars worth of goods that they were buying from stores on the lay-away plan.

Direct action resumed in Plawuemine after the lifting of the restraining order. The brutal events of Aug. 31 and Sept. 1 are now well known. In the night of terror, over 70 people were arrested, 75 people hospitalized, and 150 people injured enough to require medical attention. A church was nearly destroyed by fire hoses and tear gas.

By the way, there is a civil rights protest at the local high school over the firing of a cafeteria worker who had participated in demonstrations. As results of some of the protest activities, 35 students have been indefinitely suspended. The white school superintendent slapped a Negro girl, and this added fuel to the fire which led to temporary closing of the school. The parents of the child filed "assault charges" against Hoffman, the superintendent. To push the sheriff into arresting Hoffman, complaints were filed with the FBI. Reports from the sheriff indicate that Hoffman has been arrested and released on $500 bond.

Ronnie Moore

To: Jeffry Brunton

CORE

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FIELD REPORT: SEPTEMBER, 1963

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INTRODUCTION:

The Congress of Racial Equality has 15 task force workers and two field secretaries working on voter registration in Louisiana, covering seven parishes; namely, West Baton Rouge, St. Helena, Iberville, Tangipahoa, East Feliciana, West Feliciana, and Pointe Coupee. CORE doesn't think it is feasible to concentrate in other parishes before November 7, 1963 because of the lack of sufficient ground work. However, we reserve the right to work in other parishes upon request of the local people and when such assistance would not interfere with other regular programs in the seven named parishes.

We are aiming at registering 1,550 people in the named parishes by October 31, 1963. The number is based on imagination and optimism.

Because we are carrying on a more extensive program than funds from VEP permit, we must also seek to fulfill several secondary objectives: (1)chapter development, (2)direct action and promoting better community relations for CORE. However, the secondary aims help us better to promote voter registration.

We are getting numerous requests for assistance from parishes throughout the state, particularly in North Louisiana. We shall investigate those requests and evaluate the parish involved and make periodic reports to Jim McCain on the conclusions drawn.

IBERVILLE:

Voter registration has not been its very best, but we anticipate better results for October. We have 12 Negro candidates seeking election to office of sheriff, police jury, coroner, parish Democratic committee, constable, justice of peace, and state Democratic central committee. CORE has workers in 7 of the 9 wards, and SCLC is working the remaining two wards, since Major Johns is running for state representative.

Ward assignments have been made as follows:

Ward 1 (White Castle, Dorseyville, Bayou Goula): Joan Bunche, Alice Thompson
Ward 2 ("back of town", Point Pleasant, Seymourville, Revilletown): Ida Calloway, Brendan Sexton
Ward 3 (Plaquemine): Ida Calloway, Brendan Sexton
Ward 4 (Sunshine): Bob Brown
Ward 5 (St. Gabriel, Carville): Gordon Harris
Ward 6 (Morrisonville, North Plawuemine, Cabbagetown, North Bayou Plaquemine, Turnerville): Mimi Feingold
Ward 8 (Plaquemine, Bruceville, Crescent, Indian Village, Miller Plantation, South Bayou Plaquemine): Spiver Gordon
Wards 7 & 9 (Rosedale, Maringouin, Grosse Tete): SCLC

At present, we have started parish wide canvassing and weekly church appearances to build community interest and cooperation.

Ronnie Moore

The candidates and CORE people serve as participants in canvassing and weekly visits to the churches every Sunday.

We have not defeated the political power structure yet, and we have not attained our goals, and we are not giving up until the Negro voting potential is developed and desegregation is accomplished.

We have set a quota of 900 as our October voter registration goal. PRAY FOR US.

ST. HELENA:

The story is about the same. The registrar is still turning Negroes down 4-1. Community interest in voter registration is still good. Negroes are still attempting to register. However, because the registrar in this parish, Quitman Crouch, and others like him, have used the (LR-1) application form to turn down 90% of the persons denied registration, we anticipate the federal government's filing a suit in the next few days against the use of the LR-1 forms as a test. On the basis of numerous complaints filed by CORE, this suit was possible, so state federal officials. Ha! Ha! Nevertheless, we are sitting tight, waiting for the suit to get to court. Also as a part of the suit, the plaintiff will request that all persons turned down intthe past on the basis of the LR-1 form be placed on the rolls. This will mean that 90% of the persons turned down will become registered voters. In parishes like St. Helena, East Feliciana, and Tangipahoa, the suit would be the most decisive weapon against disfranchisement.

POINTE COUPEE:

From the standpoint of cooperation of leaders, this is a good parish, but the registrar is nice but a wizard at turning Negroes down in large numbers. However, we shall continue to work in the same areas with the hope that the recent racial and political developments will give the local people the shot they need to overcome apathy.

WEST BATON ROUGE:

Voter registration is moving without interference from the white power structure. We anticipate registering large numbers when we overcome the large degree of apathy and illiteracy.

WEST FELICIANA:

September has been a month of canvassing and setting up and conducting clinics. We have had persons in large numbers attending clinics and I think I didn't include the number of clinic participants: 85-115. People are waiting until late October before attempting to register, because of "sweet potato" contracts with the all-white Princeville Canning Company.

If everything goes well, we should, as a result of our clinics in September, have large numbers of Negroes attempting to register in late October.

Only the naked eye can convince you of the economic problems in housing, education, and political attitude of the local people. I invite you to come to Louisiana and see Hardwood, of this parish.

EAST FELICIANA:

As indicated in the past, intimidation by parish officials continue to hinder voter registration efforts. The registrar is worse than the registrar in St. Helena because he is turning Negroes down in larger proportions. To emphasize the legal struggle of CORE and the attitude of the district attorney toward civil rights, we are enclosing a news article and a subpoena.

At voter registration rallies, policemen and sheriff deputies stand guard in cars around the area. Negroes fear both political and economic reprisals if they attempt to register to vote. However, we still canvass on plantations, back woods, and dusty roads in Wilson, La., Clinton, La., and Jackson, La., and throughout the parish.

TANGIPAHOA:

Voter registration is still rough because the registrar is still turning Negores down in large numbers. Community interest is good. Local voters leagues are active with CORE in sending lines of Negroes to the registrar's office daily, so reports CORE worker Galway Kinnell.

CONCLUSION:

At one time I thought that some parishes were better than others. I still believe this to some extent. Nevertheless, when you look at the total situation, in one parish we find apathy, in another fear, and yet another illiteracy. In every parish it is discrimination by nature in Louisiana voter registration system, but from one registrar to another discrimination varies.

In short, we are doing our best, but unless this damn system is obliterated, the task of developing the Negro voting potential in Louisiana is a lost cause.

SUMMARY REPORT
LOUISIANA PROJECT
September 1, 1964 - October 2, 1964

The results of Voter Registration for the month of September are as follows:

Sixth Congressional District	
St. Helena	32
Pointe Coupee	30
West Feliciana	15
Iberville	39
Ascension	65
East Baton Rouge	476
Tangipahoa	28
East Feliciana	15
St. Tammany	16
Washington	87
West Baton Rouge	13
Fifth Congressional District	
Jackson	71
Ouachita	195
Total	1,082

Although we registered a total of 1,082 persons in the month of September, which is the highest number we've ever been able to register in one given month in the history of CORE's campaign since 1962, it is not an indication that the Voter Registration picture of biased registrars and discrimination has changed. The only factor which made it possible for us to make such a gain is the sudden and enormous concern of the Negro people about the right to vote in the thirteen (13) parishes mentioned above. This concern was motivated by the pending Presidential election and particularly the desire of the Negro people to defeat or at least put the strongest voting protest possible against Senator Barry Goldwater in his bid for the Presidency. Persons who had been trained by CORE and other groups in the past, and those more recently taught by CORE workers went down on their own or sought our help again for transportation in CORE automobiles to the registrar's office. The real number of applicants attempting to register to vote and the number of those actually registered will never be known. Not even the increases, which will be shown in the reports of the registrars for the month of September will reveal the true number of people registered, because we expect the usual purges of voters from the voter registration records for the following reasons:

1. Failure to vote over the past four years
2. Deaths
3. Change of address (state, parish, ward, and/or precinct)
4. Change of name and/or marital status

Although the rusults from clinics and canvassing prove fruitful in both urban and rural areas for the month of September, we can anticipate interest in Voter Registration to decrease in the months immediately following the November elections. At this point may I state that under Louisiana law the Voter Registration books must close for thirty (30) days prior to any election, and therefore the books will not be open in the month of October. However in addition to our other scheduled activities for the month of October, we intend to canvass new areas; recanvass old areas; hold clinics in churches, grocery

stores, Masonic halls, etc. in each parish -- not only to teach the people the registration forms, so that they will be qualified to register in November; but also to educate those already registered in the significance of voting and the campaign issues of the November elections.

Potential voter registration applicants in Louisiana are still faced with discrimination and limited Federal action; and it is our contention that unless there is a constant statewide push to keep Negroes (motivated by some great issue such as the Presidential election) applying for registration in large numbers as in September, we shall never be able to develop the Negro voting potential of this state. However, unless there are immediate aggressive and affirmative steps taken by the Federal government to eradicate the numerous impediments faced by Negroes in their efforts to become registered voters in the state and to obliterate the pattern of discrimination embedded in th e Louisiana voter registration system by prejudiced registrars; CORE and other civil rights groups will go nearly bankrupt in trying to keep Negroes applying for registration. The constant and numerous denials of Negro applicants creates an enormous amount of apathy in the Negro community.

Discrimination is just one part of the problem. Negro voter applicants and civil rights workers are constantly intimidated, harrassed, arrested, prosecuted and subjected to constant economic, political and physical reprisals by private citizens, public officials and sometimes by businesses.

In spite of the forestated problems, CORE, beginning in October, shall endeavor to expand in servicing communities not only in the Fifth and Sixth Congressional Districts but also in The Fourth and Eighth Districts, stationing workers and other essential facilities at Shreveport and Alexandria. It shall be the intent of CORE, besides meeting other needs of the community, to concentrate on VOTER REGISTRATION, political organization from the block to the precinct to the ward to the parish level, and eventually a statewide political organization. The state office, which is now located in Room 207 of the Butler Building, 1501½ East Boulevard, Louise Street Station, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, phone (504) 342-8388, will attempt to serve as a state servicing agency, advising and assisting all of the towns in the Congressional Districts mentioned above and in other places in the state, upon request, on matters of Voter Registration, Freedom Schools, community centers, testing the 1964 Civil Rights Law, chapter development, political orgainzation, political education, and other pertinent matters.

Requests are coming in daily for help. We are limited in staff, cars, material, etc. in meeting the demands for assistance. "Won't you please help us?"

West Baton Rouge
Field Report

Sept 7 - Oct 2, 1964

I. Voter Registration

Areas Worked: Ward 2 (Sept 7-13) all precinct 10
Carver Street
Fraternity
Rosenwald
Ward 1 (Sept 14-Oct.2) all precinct 51
Louise Street
Howard
Gary
Tinga
Napoleon
Utah Street
Education
Mary
Margaret

Staff: Loria Davis, Sharon Burger, Judy Rollins

Statistics: Potential of Negro Voters:
Ward 1 22,874
Ward 2 12,1333
Ward 3 1,009
36,016 Total Potential
Numbers now registered:
Negro - 11,559
White - 72,390

Program: Canvassing

Because the staff of three was not assigned exclusively to voter registration, only two were used for canvassing daily. Besides seeking out unregistered voters, we conducted a survey, designed to obtain general census information on each individual over 18. This information will be useful not only for future voter registration teaching and literacy programs, but also when a political structure of negro voters is developed. In a city this size, the concep t of a well-informed, negro voting block can be developed to the highest degree of sophistication and organization.

Clinics

		attendance
2nd ward:		
Mon-fri	6-9pm (Voters League office)	9
Sat.	11-1pm (New Light Baptist Church)	2
1st Ward:	(CORE office)	3
Thu.(9/24)	5-9pm	1
Wed.(9/30)	5-9pm	

Preceding the ward 2 clinics, 4 churches announced the c schedule. Daily canvassing advertised both ward 1 clinics.

Suggested reasons for the appalling lack of response to

clinics are:

(1) Apathy. Because of the relative comfort, materialistically, in which a high percentage of Baton Rouge Negros live, the reasons for registering is more obscure to them than to their brothers in depraved parishes. Per U.S. Census of Population, 1 960, the state median for negro families (income) is $1,823 per year; the median in Baton Rouge is $2,980. Also, of the 21,676 Negro male labor force over 14 years of age, only 1,680 are unemployed. In this state, these figures are second only to New Orleans.

(2) Embarrassment. In using the registered voters directory, made available to us by the 2nd ward voters league, we found a surprisingly high number of professionals not registered. In not all cases is apathy still applicable (especially since the nomination of Arizona's favorite Cracker-son). However, because of the lack of any valid excuse for their not registering before, many are reluctant to publicly admit - whether by raising their hands in church or by coming to a clinic - that they are not registered.. Therefore, when canvassing in Baton Rouge, a worker should receive an affirmative answer to the usual "Are you registered" question with an accepting smile, tongue in cheek, and hand on Registered Voters List.

Suggestions re: clinics:

Eliminate scheduled clinics. Instead, make connections to be invited to private club meetings. Mrs. Maytuse, Chairman of Delta's voter registration drive, advised us that this was their most successful technique for reaching a number of people at a time.

Churches

We have had VR announcements at:

Mt. Pilgrim Baptist Church — Ed. White, pastor
New Light Baptist Church
New Jerusalem Baptist Church — F.R. Winder, pastor
Greater St. John Baptist Church

Clinics at churches have failed as clinics elsewhere. Pastors with whom we have been in contact, have been generally helpful. One, however, is outstanding:

Rev. William Michelberger
Chaplain of Southern University
genuine, well-read (Princeton grad), has connections at LSU, dedicated. He seems to float somewhere within the great schism between the administration and the student body at Southern. Is respected by both.

Results:

contacts:	churches	1200
	canvassing	2242
		3442
number taught:	home	1155
	clinic	115
		1270

number to registrar's office: approx. 590

number passed: approx. 476

Also, there are other groups in Baton Rouge pushing Voter Registration and teaching forms. The League of Women Voters has an extensive advertising campaign (billboards and TV). Negro teaching has been conducted by the 2nd Ward Voters League and Delta Sigma Theta Sorority. For this reason, we feel certain the number of Negroes who became registered this month is a great deal higher than the above figure.

A listing has been requested from the registrar's office; it should be available to us after October 10.

Contact List

Rev. William Eichelberger
Southern University chaplain
775-6082

Acie Belton
President, 2nd Ward Voters League
1310 Sora St. (office)
775-1429
1763 Rosenwald Street (home)
775-2619

Mrs. Corinne Maybuce
Chairman, Delta's VR drive and school principal
2145 Rosenwald St. (home)
775-6760 or 775-4240
Choctaw Elementary School
EL 7-7638

Rev. Winder
New Jerusalem Baptist and Greater St. John Baptist
DI 3-3673

Submitted by:
East Baton Rouge Task Force

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VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT: FIELD REPORT

NORTH LOUISIANA: 5th Congrs Dist.
September 1 - Oct. 2,1964

OUACHITA PARISH

I. AREA WORKED:
a. Monroe
b. West Monroe

II. New Contacts:
1. Mr. E. J. Weegen, 3005 Jackson St., militant, a hard worker, active worker, active in Voter Registration, willing to go all the way.

III. VEP Activities:

Canvassing and Instruction:

All of our canvassing have been done in the area of Monroe, it has been limited because of the lack of man power and stress on other activities. The canvassing has been done by CORE Task Force workers and a few students in the begining of the drive. Clinics were held at Greater New Hope Baptist Church, which was very successful. An average of 15 to 20 people per evening were taught three (3) days a week for two weeks. Also our office and canvassing of the pool-halls, barber shops, beauty shops and street canvassing The program is West Monroe, began the last of August to establish young leadership, voter registration and recuitment for the Monroe CORE chapter, but with the begining of the all out voter registration campaign this has been stoped to the minumin of just keeping the contacts supplied with voter forms.

b. Meeting:
While canvassing activities are limited, there have been speaking in the churches and respence has been good.

c. Building community support:
1. Churches and preachers:
We know long can hold meeting at Mt. Zion Baptist Church, the reason was the members of the church was afraid of it being bomb and just plain scared.

2. Student and Youth organization:
This is the a rea where we are not having success because of opening of school.

d. Registration:

In the last three (3) weeks we have registered _____. people. We have two person working the registrar's office everyday to keep up with applicants and to check their identification before the applicant goes in the office. Mrs. Mae Lucky, has a particular feminess for, and misunderstanding of the identification

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requirements of the registration law. She interperts it as meaning that the applicant must prove length of residence with documents. Thus, she require 3 to 5 documents (bills receipts) with present address upon them. These documents must be dated past six (6) months and not beyound one (1) year, this is most of the time. Often she makes other stipulations. Mrs Lucky is having the applicants to fill out the forms she has to submit to Federal Judge Darkins and if there is an error made, they are failed. We have person who are will to testify in court and also will testify of her helping white on the forms(tell them all of the answers).

IV. Employment Discrimination:
Olin Mathiesen Chemical Corporation, this problem has been mention in other field reports.
Mr. Wood McCreedy of the President's Committee On Equal Employment Oppertunity sent the Unity Committee (the men that filed complaints against Olin Mathiesen)a copy of the Army's report of their investigation in April,1964, the unity committee answered this letter stating dissatification with the investigation and asked for a review and another investigation not to be whitewashed.
Also letters have been sent at Donald Seaiman of the AFL-CIO and Yarmolinsky of the U, S. Army asking them to apply pressure of the President's Committee and Olin Mathiesen.
On Sept. 10,1964 Mr. Bet Wilson of the Army Command in Dallas Texas came down to investigate Mr. Pressley complaint which was a complete whitewash, a letter stating this was sent to McCreedy by Mr. Pressley and the Unity committee.
A chairman and vice-chairman was elected; chairman Mr. Roscoe Young vice-chairman Mr. Ehprian Briggs, this election waxs held because the company thought Mr. Ray Robinson, President of the local union was over the committee and kept referring to the contract, which has nothing to do with the committee and filing of the complaints.
On Sept. 28,1964 Mr. Callett, President of Olin called a meeting with all of the local unions, the only thing that was discussed was operation, expansion and production, didn't any of the members get a chance to bring the racial situation to Mr. Callett attention.
On Saturday there will be another meeting of the Unity committee.

b. Voter's League:
On Sept. 29,1964 there was a meeting held at Peoples Life Insurance Co., to start an active Voter's league we contacted approximately 30 persons only 6 of them (this included the so so called leaders of Ouachita Parish). The meeting was a success although a few came, a nominating committee was selected and on Oct. 15,1964 another meeting will be held.

c. Freedom School:
We only have a very little informa tion concerning the Freedom Schools, but we are utilizing this information. We have a place to store books and other equipment.

V. Intimidation and Harrassement:
We only have a little information concerning the Freedom School

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There has been very little intimidation and harrassment except for the registrar's office and Mrs. Lucky of the Negro applicants.

VI. Futher Activities:

a. Voter's League

b. Freedom School

c. Fund Raising

d. Employment

VII. CORE chapter:

There isn't much to report on the existing CORE chapter because of the lack of attendance by the students. Also because of the opening of school. The chapter should be recognize.

On September 16,1964 Sergeant & Mrs. O'Neill Francis, 1706 Hollywood Drive, Monroe, La., went at the Municipal Airport Salem Field where Sgt. Franccis was to catch a flight to Dallas, Texas, they were refused service at the Coffee Shop and the police was called by a waitress. No one was arrested but MR. Francis was on his w ay to Viet Nam.

Submitted by

Claudia J. Edwards
David Kramer
Marian Bernard
Alvin Culpepper

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FIELD REPORT
JACKSON PARISH
September 2, 1964 - October 2, 1964

I. Voter Registration

A. General statistics
No. of days books open for registration - 21
No. registered during campaign - 71
No. applied for registration - 83
No. complaint forms filed - 6

B. Areas worked
Hodge
Jonesboro
Bethany
Pleasant Grove

C. Statistics for areas worked
Negro voting age population by Wards:
1 - 112
2 - 1,480
3 - 170
4 - 220
5 - 90
6 - 76
7 - 292

D. Contacts in areas worked

J.W. Dade	Phone	3069	Jonesboro
Harry Mins	"	3964	Hodge
Mrs. Potts	"	5057	Bethany

II. Political and Social Aspects

A. General statistics
34.4% Negro
25.4% Urban
71.5% Rural
4.6% Rural farm

B. Education
Median school years completed in Parish - 8.2
Median school years completed in Parish, Negro - 6.4

C. Income
Median family income - $3,683
Median family income, Negro - $1,940
Less than 42% receive $3,000 per year
17% receive less than $1,000 per year

D. Unemployment
6.2% male Negro labor force unemployed
9.4% female Negro labor force unemployed

III. Evaluation of Community

Fear seems to be the greatest disadvantage of conducting a voter registration drive in Jonesboro, although in spite of fear, apathy and ignorance we were still able to register 71 people. I do feel that there is still a large number of non-registered voters

in Jackson Parish and in Jonesboro, and that some of the Task Force should stay in Jonesboro.

IV. Civil Rights

On Wednesday, September 30, 1964, eleven (11) local youths were tried for trying to enter the public library on July 27, 1964. The charge was 'disturbing the peace'. All eleven were found guilty, but the sentence was delayed for 26 hours. In the meantime, each of them had to post a new bond; $25.00 perperson.

I was unable to secure city and property bonds (only cash bond was acceptable). I borrowed $225.00 from the community, and after staying in jail for an hour, I was able to post the cash bond for their release. Money was then appropriated from the National Office to repay the borrowed money. The youths responded in court to receive their jail sentence. They were fined $11.50 or 10 days in jail. Our attorney immediately made application for an appeal to the District Court. The judge then set bond for the 11 at $125.00 cash or $200.00 surety bond per person. I then called National, and a check for $2,000.00 was sent to be used as bond money. I was able to get a bonding company to handle the case, so $2,225.00 was returned to the National Office. The youths stayed in jail for nearly 8½ hours waiting for the preparations of the bonding company. All 11 were then released and are now waiting for the appeal case to come up in District Court.

On Wednesday, October 7, 1964, sixteen (16) local youths will stand trial for disturbing the peace at the public swimming pool.

V. Areas still in need of canvassing

Choudat
Chatman
Kelley
Weston
St. Rest

Submitted by
Fred Brooks
Group leader
Jonesboro, La.

FIELD REPORT
ST. HELENA PARISH
September 1, 1964 - October 2, 1964

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VOTER REGISTRATION: Since this parish is a totally rural area and automobiles are scarce, most of our teaching was done in the homes instead of at clinics. At first we thought clinics would work very well, but they didn't, mostly because the people worked in their fields all afternoon and were said to be very exhausted when they were through for the day. During this period, we canvassed and taught VR in the early part of the day. There were 67 persons to apply for registration, and 32 of these passed.

Submitted by,
Loria Davis
Clinton, La.

FIELD REPORT
POINTE COUPEE PARISH
September 1, 1964 - October 2, 1964

VOTER REGISTRATION: Work in this parish was carried on largely by local volunteers, with three (3) staff workers making regular visits to the parish to help with canvassing, set up clinics, and keep things going in general. The most receptive communities still seem to be the Batchelor and Innis area and Ventriss. The apathy of the adult community in New Roads, the parish seat, is overwhelming; although a large part of our support from local youth comes from this city. Ninety-three (93) people applied for registration this month, but only thirty (30) passed. The registrar still refuses to discuss or comply with the voting section of the 1964 Civil Rights Law concerning certified copies of answers to the test and 6th grade education as a rubuttable presumption of literacy.

CHAPTER DEVELOPMENT: Several young people in New Roads and a few from different communities throughout the parish have expressed interest in forming a CORE chapter. The problems seem to be finding capable and responsible leadership and educating the majority of the youth in non-violence. Meetings with this group should be planned for the very near future.

Respectfully submitted.
Sharon Burger
Clinton, La.

FIELD REPORT
WEST FELICIANA
September 1, 1964 - October 2, 1964

VOTER REGISTRATION: In this parish, Voter Registration clinics are still being held every Tuesday night at the Masonic Hall on Laurel Hill. The attendance of every clinic is great, and the eagerness to learn how to fill the forms out and go down the the registrar's office is even greater. The Negroes in this parish have learned, through their efforts to register and through being turned down by the registrar, that you must develop courage and strength to keep on trying until you sedceed. These people continued to go to the registrar's office. During this month, 77 persons applied for registration; 15 passed and 62 were rejected.

COMMUNITY RELIEF FUND: Money that is taken up every Tuesday night goes into the Community Relief Fund. The report of how much was put in and disbursed will be given Tuesday, October 6, 1964.

CHAPTER DEVELOPMENT: The chapter here has planned to start testing. They have appointed some members of the chapter as a testing committee. This committee will be responsible for getting bond and then having it on hand in case of arrests. I really believe that in terms of good leadership this chapter is growing stronger and its leadership is developing.

Submitted by:
Lorie Davis
Clinton, La.

FIELD REPORT

September 1, 1964 - October 3, 1964

Iberville Parish

VEP:The voter registration program in Iberville Parish is pretty Much the same. There has been no assitance at all from the local youths. Most of my time,efforts, and work has been placed in and around the 2 ward, which is a heavly populated negro ward.

This parish has great potential and the negro leader is very strong. There is a voters league that is very strong also.

The number of people contacted through canvassing, clinics, and churches numbered 225. Of the 225 contacted, 80 applied for for registration, with 41 failing and 39 passing.

Also I would like to recomend that some legal action be taken against the register (Mrs. Ella Billings) who obviously discriminates.

DIRECT ACTION: There has been no type of direct action up to this point. Effots to orginiz~~ation~~ a CORE Chapter whom would resume the responsibility of testing the ~~ix~~ local resturants and other facilities have proven to be a failure.

CHAPTER DEVELOPMENT: In Iberville Parish there have been tremend~~ous~~ous made to orginise a CORE Chapter, but due to the fact that the interest and desire is not ~~a~~ among the people, both young and old alike I have been unsucessful.

To be factual about the situation, in talking to some of the youths around the community I found that that fear inwhich in these people has by some means been driven back.

HARRASMENTS: There have been only a small amount of harrasments in Iberville Parish.

Submitted by:

Kenny Johnson
CORE Task Force

FIELD REPORT

Ascension Parish

September 1, 1964 - October 3, 1964

VEP: For the first time we have encountered the parish of Ascension. With the help of the local youths, we were able to make some tremendous gains in the field of voter registration.

The number of people contactd through canvassing, clinics, and churches numbered 265. Of the 265 contacted, 73 attempted to register, with 8 failing and 65 passing. Upon the advice and request of the Rev. Ronnie Moore, complaints were not filed for the 8 people failing.

Incidently, the registrar in this parish is somewhat of a liberal. She usually passes about 95% of the Negroes applying for registration, a nd there have been times when she has even assisted the Negro applicants.

DIRECT ACTION: There has been no type of direct actionin the parish of Ascension, with the exception of the desegregation of a local park in Danaldsonville, due to the fact that all of out tune and efforts were placed on voter registration. Plans have been made for more direct action in the near future, more than likely after the November elections.

This parish has great potential. In some wards, not only does the Negro population outnumber the white, but also the Negro registration is greater.

CHAPTER DEVELOPMENT: In this parish, a CORE chapter has been organized. This chapter consists of mostly high school graduates and college students. May I aso note that there is a public school teacher who holds office in this chapter.

It has been the chapter that has carried on the voter registration program, with only me assisting them. It is my belief that the chapter is ready for affiliation.

HARRASSMENTS: There has been only a small amount of harrassment in this parish.

Submitted by:

Kenny Johnson
CORE Task Force

REGISTRATION ON LOUISIANA

Jerry Regan

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On July 27, 28, 29, 1964, Voter Registration Books were closed in East and West Feliciana Parishes.

From August 1 - 31. 1964, Voter Registration Books were closed in Washington, Ascension, Iberville, Ouachita, and Tangipahoa Parishes.

Books will open throughout the state during the month of September.

We plan to work not only the parishes indicated on the Staff Assignment sheets, but to also service other parishes upon request of the local leaders therein.

In June we registered 317. The following are the results for July and August.

July 27,28,29, 1964	
Ouachita	83
St. Helena	28
Tangipahoa	22
Jackson	38
Ascension	80
Iberville	109
Washington	75
Pointe Coupee	35
	470

August 1 - 31. 1964	
Jackson	110
East Feliciana	26
West Feliciana	45
St. Helena	32
Pointe Coupee	70
	283

Large voter registration gains are impossible under Louisiana's present system of qualifying potential Negro voters. Biased registrars apply double standards using race as a factor to pass or disqualify voters. Besides discrimination, voter registration workers and applicants are faced daily with problems of private and public intimidations and find themselves constant victims of economic and political reprisals. Only prompt and firm Federal action can chnage the picture.

Enclosed field reports clearly depict our struggle.

Complaints on discrimination in applying Louisiana Voter Registration laws and on defiance of the voting section of the new Civil Rights Law are filed daily with the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Justice Department. No action of a strong affirmative nature is ever taken.

However, we shall push on, and on, and on.

4-10 JSV Pearsall
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VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: Louisiana Committee on Registration Education

Period covered by this report: From July 27, 1964 to July 29, 1964

Person reporting Bonnie M. Moore

306 Ivy Street,	Plaquemine,	(Iberville)	Louisiana
Street Address	City	County	State

Date submitted: August 31, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies 6th Congressional District, Iberville Parish, Towns of Plaquemine, Rosedale, Grosse Tete, Maringouin, St. Gabrial, and Carville.

Ward, Beat, etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 862

Number instructed at home 103

Number instructed at clinics 540

Number instructed other places none a. Specify places none

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 220

Number successfully registered by this project this week 100

Number denied registration in this project this week 120

A. Reason for denial Errors on the application and affidavit forms, insufficient identification, etc.

Number contacted by other means None

A. Specify means None

Number refusing to participate 1% to 35% of the unregistered voters, depending on the town

Reason for refusing to participate Fear, ignorance, illiteracy, apathy

Number of persons successfully registered since the start

Number of workers in the campaign 5 staff persons plus volunteers

Remarks

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

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Name of Project: Louisiana Committee on Registration Education

Period covered by this report: From July 27, 1964 to July 29,1964

Person reporting Ronnie Moore

306 Ivy Street, Plaquemine (Iberville) Louisiana
Street Address City County State

Date submitted: August 31, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies 6th Congressional District Tangipahoa Parish Towns of: Hammond, Amite, Ponchatoula

Ward, Beat, etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 633

Number instructed at home 60

Number instructed at clinics 375

Number instructed other places ____ a. Specify places ____

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 92

Number successfully registered by this project this week 22

Number denied registration in this project this week 70

A. Reason for denial Errors on the application and affidavit forms, insufficient identification, etc.

Number contacted by other means None

A. Specify means ____

Number refusing to participate 1% to 55% of the unregistered voters, depending on the town

Reason for refusing to participate Fear, apathy, ignorance, illiteracy

Number of persons successfully registered since the start ____

Number of workers in the campaign 3 workers plus local volunteers

Remarks ____

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: Louisiana Committee on Registration Education

Period covered by this report: From July 27, 1964 to July 29, 1964

Person reporting Ronnie Moore

306 Ivy Street, Plaquemine, (Iberville) Louisiana
Street Address City County State

Date submitted: August 31, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies 6th Congressional District Pointe Coupee Parish Towns of: Batchelor, Morganza, Lettsworth, New Roads, Taursa
Ward, Beat, etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 589

Number instructed at home 76

Number instructed at clinics 413

Number instructed other places _____ a. Specify places _____

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 177

Number successfully registered by this project this week 35

Number denied registration in this project this week 142

A. Reason for denial Errors on the application and affidavit forms, insufficient identification, etc.

Number contacted by other means None

A. Specify means _____

Number refusing to participate 17% - 90% of the unregistered voters, depending on the towns

Reason for refusing to participate Fear, ignorance, illiteracy, apathy and Uncle Tom-ism

Number of persons successfully registered since the start _____

Number of workers in the campaign 3 staff persons plus volunteers

Remarks _____

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: Louisiana Committee on Registration Education

Period covered by this report: From July 27, 1964 to July 29, 1964

Person reporting Bonnie Moore

306 Ivey Street, Plaquemine, (Iberville) Louisiana
Street Address City County State

Date submitted: August 31, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies 5th Congressional District Jackson Parish

Towns of: Jonesboro and Clay primarily
Ward, Beat, etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 482

Number instructed at home 60

Number instructed at clinics 291

Number instructed other places ---- a. Specify places ---

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 78

Number successfully registered by this project this week 38

Number denied registration in this project this week 40

A. Reason for denial Errors on the application and affidavit forms insufficient identification, etc.

Number contacted by other means None

A. Specify means

Number refusing to participate 1% - 49% of the unregistered voters, depending on the area

Reason for refusing to participate Fear, ignorance, illiteracy, apathy, etc.

Number of persons successfully registered since the start

Number of workers in the campaign 3 staff persons plus volunteers

Remarks

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: Louisiana Committee on Registration Education

Period covered by this report: From July 27, 1964 to July 30, 1964

Person reporting Bonnie Moore

306 Ivy Street,	Plaquemine,	(Iberville)	Louisiana
Street Address	City	County	State

Date submitted: August 31, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies 6th Congressional District Assension Parish Donaldsonville

Ward, Beat, etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 700

Number instructed at home 173

Number instructed at clinics 900

Number instructed other places _____ a. Specify places _____

None

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 200

Number successfully registered by this project this week 60

Number denied registration in this project this week 130

A. Reason for denial Improper identification, errors in application and on the affidavit, etc.

Number contacted by other means None

A. Specify means _____

Number refusing to participate Approx. 33% of the unregistered voters

Reason for refusing to participate Fear, apathy, Uncle Tomism, ignorance

Number of persons successfully registered since the start _____

Number of workers in the campaign 3 staff workers plus local volunteers

Remarks _____

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: Louisiana Committee on Registration Education

Period covered by this report: From July 27, 1964 to July 29, 1964

Person reporting Bonnie Moore

306 Iung Street, Plaquemine (Iberville) Louisiana
Street Address City County State

Date submitted: August 31, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies 6th Congressional District Washington Parish

Towns of: Bogalusa and Franklinton
Ward, Beat, etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 600

Number instructed at home 200

Number instructed at clinics 300

Number instructed other places _____ a. Specify places

None

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 175

Number successfully registered by this project this week 75

Number denied registration in this project this week 100

A. Reason for denial Insufficient identification, errors of applications and affidavits, etc.

Number contacted by other means None

A. Specify means

Number refusing to participate 85% of the unregistered voters, depending on the town

Reason for refusing to participate Illiteracy, ignorance, apathy etc, etc

Number of persons successfully registered since the start

Number of workers in the campaign

Remarks

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: Louisiana Committe on Registration Education

Period covered by this report: From July 27, 1964 to July 29, 1964

Person reporting Ronnie Moore

306 Ivey Street, Plaquemine, (Iberville) Louisiana
Street Address City County State

Date submitted: August 31, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies 6th Congressional District St. Helena Parish Towns of: Greensburg, Montpelier, Pine Grove

Ward, Beat, etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 489

Number instructed at home 50

Number instructed at clinics 395

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

None

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 97

Number successfully registered by this project this week 28

Number denied registration in this project this week 69 6

A. Reason for denial Registrar's time wasting tactics, errors, improper identification

Number contacted by other means Churches -- 100

A. Specify means

Number refusing to participate ?

Reason for refusing to participate

Fear, apathy

Number of persons successfully registered since the start

Number of workers in the campaign 2 staff plus volutaers

Remarks

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: Louisiana Committee on Registration Education

Period covered by this report: From July 27, 1964 to July 30, 1964

Person reporting Bennie Moore

[illegible] Street, Shreveport, (Bossier) Louisiana
Street Address City County State

Date submitted: August 31, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies 5th Congressional District Ouachita Parish

Towns of: Monroe and West Monroe
Ward, Beat, etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 900

Number instructed at home 300

Number instructed at clinics 500

Number instructed other places _____ a. Specify places

None

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 200

Number successfully registered by this project this week 83

Number denied registration in this project this week 117

A. Reason for denial Errors on application forms, insufficient identification

Number contacted by other means None

A. Specify means

Number refusing to participate 80% of the unregistered voters

Reason for refusing to participate Uncle Tomism, FEAR, ignorance, apathy

Number of persons successfully registered since the start

Number of workers in the campaign 6 staff workers plus volunteers

Remarks

a national organization with affiliated local groups working

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Mrs. Jane Bond Moore
Voter Education Project
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Dear Mrs. Moore:

The final narrative report on our Louisiana project, requested in you letter of October 8, 1964, has been forwarded to you by way of our national office.

We would be happy to send you any further information directly, if you have specific questions in mind.

Sincerely yours,

Ronnie M. Moore

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cc. Marvin Rich
CORE
38 Park Row
New York 38, New York

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4-10

October 8, 1964

Mr. Marvin Rich
CORE
38 Park Row
New York 38, New York

RE: VEP 4-10

Dear Mr. Rich:

Mr. Brenton has asked me to remind you that as the deadline for registration in the general election is over in Louisiana, we will be expecting the final narrative report from the CORE project there no later than October 28th.

If you have any questions or comments, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Jane Bond Moore
Research Assistant

cc: Mr. Ronnie Moore
P.O. General Delivery
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Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Wiley,

These are not the reports which Ronnie Moore mentioned.

B. W.

CORE VOTER REGISTRATION - 1963

	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total
South Carolina	330	-	392	343	390	575	674	575	871	1413	1353	1539	8465
Louisiana	23	-	-	84	73	161	165	452	198	311	-	260	1727
Florida	149	433	-	29	62	69	335	194	5593	-	172	98	7134
TOTALS	502	433	392	456	525	805	1174	1221	6662	1724	1533	1897	17,326

CORE VOTER REGISTRATION - 1964

	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May
South Carolina	1879	1510	1534	1657	2421
Louisiana	174	189	-	94	324
Florida	63	-	-	2817	-
TOTALS	2116	1699	1534	4568	2745

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VEP Field Report

5th Cong. Dist., Louisiana
April 1-30, 1964
Ouachita Parish

Voter Education Project:

Registrar's books closed for the month of April. The books will reopen May 16,18,19 and close until June 17, if there is a second primary the books will open June 17,18,19 and then close for 30 days. If there is no primary they will reopen on June 17, until July 17.

There has been no VEP activity during April. Canvassing and clinics will resume in May in preparation for opening of the books.

Chapter Development:

Meetings of the potential CORE chapter have been held each Thursday in April, the group now comprise 30-40 high school students, and we are forming an advisory group of adults in the community.

The group has officers and committees--membership, project, publicity and executive.
Project: The project committee has begun an economic survey of the Monroe and West Monroe area, this includes gathering of information about chain-stores and manufacturing concerns concerning segregation policies and discrimination in employment and information about concerns holding government contracts.

The development of the group has not been entirely satisfactory because of personality conflicts and mistakes in organization, but it is growing in size and we should be abl able to iron out these difficulties.
A major problem is that as the group has grown many people have joined about when we can not be certain. Leakes to the police department have developed and it is difficult to keep information from getting out.

Community Activity:

One "mass meeting" was held on Sunday April 19, outside of the CORE group anly about 7 people showed up and 3 of these were NEgro policeman sent by the police chief.
The meeting had been fairly well publicized by leaflets and word of mouth . Fear and apathy would seem to be the best explanation for its failure.

Intiminidation and Harrassement:

Chief Kelly has continued his pattern of attempted intimidat ion and harrassement. When he heard of Richard Haley was supposed to come to the mass meeting Kelly came to a CORE meeting and warned of doing anything but VEP, he tried to scare the students unsuccessfully and took names of the members.
Chief Kelly sent all of his Negro cops to the mass meeting to spy -but they were very obvious and the speakers at the meeting pointed them out and lectured them.
The Sheriffs department has obtained a German police dog named "Deputy Rock" and has announced thatnit plans to acquire more of these dogs. "Deputy Rock" has been displayed in the Negro neighborhoods in avery pointed effort to scare the people, and he has been loaned to the police department in several occasions.

One of the local people who have been working with us on VEP; Alfred Dorsey age 21, was arrested last weekend on burglary charge and he is now in the city jail in Monroe. So far there has been no notice in the newspaper of his connection with CORE, but the police have been questioning him about his CORE activities. No bond has been set for him and we are attempting to find out the formal charges and bond if any.
Alfred had just returned from Alexandria La.,where he had been conducting VEP clinics at the bebest of local people. While there he had been picked up and questioned by the local sheriff and the FBI, and told to restrict his activites to voter registration . As previously stated -many times - the police here have excellent intelligence system and know everything we do just about.

Parish Scouting:

We have done none in the last month partly due to lack of contacts in other parishes and partly due to the fact that Mike thinks it essential that Ronnie make initial contacts in North Louisiana in many of the very bad parishes because Mike does not think his white face will have too salutory an effect on welcome CORE initiative. Mike takes full responsibility for this position and lack of scouting activity for the Summer Project so far.

The letter of complaints sent to the President Committee on Equal Employment Opportunity has had effect. three(3) Army contract investigators appeared in Monroe during the 1st week in April and conducted their investigation. We feel that the investigation report will be a whitewash and therefore plan to take steps to comnteract this.

(1). File suit to integrate Parish Vocational School (white) on behalf of four(4) olin workers and high school graduates ad plaintifs. Olin has policy of paying tuition of workers for up grading of skills and we hope to drag them into this while the spotlight is on the company.

(2). Ask House of Representatives Education and Labor Committe to conduct an investigation of Olin operation in Ouachita Parish.

(3). File formal complaint with the President Committee, our letter was only considered an "informal" complaint.
For futher detailed information see letter to Norman Hill (April)22, 1964) concerning this project.

Future Activities:

(1). Scouting other parishes in the 5th Congressional Dist., and laying ground work for the summer project,-the first two weeks in May.

(2). VEPin Ouachita Parish in preparation for the books in May(16, 18, 19) the CORE group Committeesewill be put in charge of this.

(3). Economic Survey of Ouachita Parish will be continued in May.

Submitted by:

Mike

Mike Lesser

CONTACTS - ALEXANDRIA, LA. - RAPIDES PARISH

NAME	PHONE	ADDRESS
Janice King	HI 3-4795	
Little Foster	HI 3-7037	
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Alice Young	HI 5-2568	
GRay	HI 3-5918	
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King	HI 2-0020	
Roy Brown	HI 3-2523	
Robert Brown	HI 3-1661	
Hattie Molet	HI 3-8551	
Billy Chestand	HI 5-5871	
Culbert	HI 3-2922	
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Registrar of Voters of Rapides Parish	HI 2-5353	
Rev. I. M. Coleman	HI 3-5959	
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PROPOSED INTENSIFIED VOTER REGISTRATION DRIVE IN DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

Due to the very easy voter registration procedures in Dade County, Florida, it is my belief that an intensified drive in this area could add a substantial number of new voters on the registration rolls. Perhaps the number cannot be ascertained at this time, but I believe that with a well organized effort, 15,000 Negroes can be added by October 4, 1963.

This program would be concentrated in four major areas; Miami, North Miami Beach, Opa-Locka, and Coconut Grove. These are the areas with the majority of the Negro population with Miami being outstanding in this sense. Three other areas could also be added if there were sufficient response from interested persons inthese areas. These are Goulds, Homestead, and Florida City; with the latter being approximately 45 miles from where I live but still in Dade County.

The following precincts would be encompassed in the drive; precincts 9, 14, 22, 67, 73, 91, 92, 93, 118, 119, 120, 121, 183, 184, 203, 209, and 210. These are precincts in the areas I have mentioned.

It is necessary that I have at least four task force workers for the primary areas. Their purpose in each area would be to coordinate, organize, and help train workers for canvassing and other ways of reaching the people. They would be placed in each area to live there and maintain close contact with the people. If at all possible, I would appreciate it if the task force force workers would be Negroes primarily. If not possible, so be it.

It is my belief that the community can be depended upon to furnish a substantial number of people to actively participate in the drive. The youth would play the paramount role as canvassers. These would come from the YMCA, NAACP, CORE, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, and church organizations.

The adult members from the aforementioned groups can be counted on to aid in transporting people to the Registrar's Office and help publicize the drive. The churches they belong to could be counted on to help with clerical work such as mimeographing, etc.

At least one radio station can and will publicize the drive extensively, and three local Negro newspapers will do like wise. This should be sufficient for a beginning.

Another phase of this plan would be to procure permanent registration books in the aforementioned areas of con centration in order to facilitate registering to vote for citizens. There is also a possibility of getting the county to appoint Negroes to serve as door-to-door deputy registrars.

I would estimate needing approximately $400.00 monthly for this intensified drive. This would be used for gasoline for transportation cars, office supplies, printed material, secretary for office to handle clerical work, (this could be a student, but this person would have to be paid a nominal salary for working each day.) and also for miscellaneous expenses. It is my belief that a drive of this sort cannot be adequately conducted with less than that.

This concludes the basic part of my plan for an intensified drive in Dade County, Florida where we can registar people without difficulty.

Weldon J. Rougeau -- July 5, 1963

ASSIGNMENT OF TASK FORCE WORKERS

POINTE COUPEE PARISH

NAME	HOMETOWN	EDUCATION
1. Edward Vickery	San Francisco, Calif.	
2. Brendan Sexton	New York	14 Years
3. Jimmy Johnson	Plaquemine, La.	10 Years
4. Issac Reynolds		
5. Rosalind Leonard	Berkley, Calif.	12 Years
6. Ruth WElls	New Orleans, La.	
7. Mike Clurman	New York	15 Years

IBERVILLE PARISH

1. Henry Edwards	Plaquemine, La.	10 Years
2. Eartha Mitchell	" "	10 Years
3. Mary Mellion	" "	12 Years
4. Donald Johnson	" "	10 "
5. Spiver Gordon	" "	13 "
6. Ruby Davis	" "	12 "
7. Harrison Joseph	" "	14 "
8. Lester Jackson	White Castle, La.	10 "
9. Capt. Tolbert Harris	Plaquemine, La.	9 "
10. Leroy Henderson	" "	11 "

EAST BATON ROUGE PARISH

1. Lois Smith	Plaquemine, La.	11 Years
2. Lois Chaffee	Kellogg, Idaho	16 "
3. Kenny Johnson	Plaquemine, La.	10 Years
4. Thomas Valentine	New Orleans, La.	16 "

WEST BATON ROUGE PARISH

1. Hubert Martain	Indiana	18 Years
2. Richard Chernick	New York	16 "
3. Lionel Hamilton	Plaquemine, La.	10 "

EAST & WEST FELICIANA PARISH

1. Mike Lesser	New Jersey	16 Years
2. William Brown	Arizona	
3. Rudy Lombard		
4. Danny Mitchell	New York	17 "
5. Mimi Feingold	" "	16 "
6. Annie Prim	Plaquemine, La.	12 "
7. Betty Poole	Mississippi	15 "
8. Alice Thompson	New Orleans, La.	

TANGIPAHOA PARISH

1. Galway Kennell		
2. James Scott	Plaquemine, La.	12 Years
3. David Leonard	Berkley, Calif.	14 "
4. Joseph Hamilton	Plaquemine, La.	11 "
5. Judy Coleman	New York	

ST. HELENA PARISH

1. Calvin Toval	New York	12 Years
2. Peter Heugel	New York	16 "
3. Steve Graves	Chicago, Ill.	17 "
4. Frank Battiste	Plaquemine, La.	12 "
5. Shirley Thompson	New Orleans, La.	
6. Faye Williamson	Plaquemine, La.	10 "

FIELD REPORT

Iberville Parish

In early July the registrar Ella Billings managed to purge a few Negroes from the registration rolls for the following reasons:

1. Many Negroes did not report to the registrar their change of address and/or name.
2. Delinquemt voting records were checked based on Louisiana's 2 Year voting requirement statue.
3. A few deaths, and marriages may also account for the voter-registration records not showing an increase that identically coincide with our reported number of registered voters gained.

In spite of the registrar's efforts we are still getting more Negroes registered here than in any other parish.

To intensify voter-registration in Iberville parish and in (7) other parishes in Louisiana namely, St. Helena, East Feliciana, West Feliciana, West Baton Rouge, East Baton Rouge, Tangipahoa and Pointe Coupee, CORE held a voter-registration institute in Plaquemine, Louisiana which began on July 14, 1963 and was directed by James T. McCain, Gordon Carey, Rudolph Lombard and Ronnie Moore. After three-and-a-half days of lectures and discussions covering the topics outlined on enclosed schedule we started a parish wide voters registration canvassing program in Iberville parish.

We sent out a task force of 46 participants of various backgrounds, from Louisiana, New York, California, and other places across the nation. As indicated from our enclosed field report we worked in nearly every crack and corner of Iberville parish. We canvassed the parish with the entire force for eight days making church appearances, staging rallies, sponsoring clinics, making speeches in halls, night clubs, etc. transporting potential registrants to the registrar's office, and filing complaints to U.S. Department of Justice of all persons rejected.

At present working out of CORE's VEP office--306 Ivey Street Plaquemine, Louisiana. We have exactly 12 full time task force workers exclusively Gordon Carey, Ronnie Moore, and Atty. Beverly Axlerod who circulate from parish to parish out of Iberville conducting the (8) parish voter registration drive.

We plan to set up local boards of registration units under the organ structure of Iberville Industrial Voters League Inc. to carry on voters registration in 4 main areas on a permanent basis with local and out-of-state CORE task force workers in charge. The areas are:

1. Rosedale & Maringouin
2. White Castle & Dorseyville
3. Plaquemine
4. St. Gabriel & Carville

From the standpoint of apathy the area of St. Gabriel and Carville is the most difficult. We anticipate a similar problem of complacency in Rosedale and Maringouin because old Negro power structure has objected to increase voter registration activities,

believing that with the Negroes already registered, that outnumbering white registration should be sufficient protection against any political evil. To make this contention more vivid may I point out that Negroes in this area of the old leaderships class have bitterly opposed any possibility of a Negro running for public office, therefore we have a white police juror representing a community where Negroes out number whites in voter registration.

We plan to continue to work vigorously in Iberville parish because of unique cooperation, We have recieved from the Iberville Industrial Voters League Inc. headed by Mr. W.W. Harleaux, Mr. James Williams of NAACP, Rev. J.W. Davis of Plymouth Rock B.C., Mr. Leroy Alfred an excandidate for School Broard and countless others.

Local whites have started a conter drive for developing the white voter potential. From the inclosed news articles you can see we objectively invited the white group to join our forces.

As you requested I am sending you a list of all task force workers and their parish assignments.

St. Helena

From the standpoint of community cooperation, next to Iberville, St. Helena is very good. We have such leaders like Mr. Ellis Howard, Mr. Clarence Knighton, and Rev. Leo Hawkins who are with us daily and each step of the way.

We have our headquarters in the Turner Chapel A.M.E. Church Social and Recreation Center which is a unique and clean place.

However, from the standpoint of getting people registered we are catching hell. Out of 40 applicants attempting to register in the past few day only two pasted since the task force has been working there. To point out the difficulties, I am attaching to field report an annalysis of the complaints filed with the U.S. Department of Justice in regard to the intellectual background of persons denied registration.

Many persons refused to participate because of discouragement, fear, ignorance, and apathy. We can overcome the complacency but Lord help us overcome the registrar, because the Federal Government is moving too damn slow.

The educational background of Negro applicants rejected in St. Helena's parish (38 out of 40).

2 applicants had 4 years of schooling
4 " " 5 " " "
+ 7 " " 6 " " "
4 " " 7 " " "
* 8 " " High School Education

+ The 7 applicants having 6 years of schooling had met the educational requirements as stipulated by the Kennedy administration.

* The 8 applicants having some high school education are as follow:

3--8th Grade
2--9th Grade
1--11th Grade
1--12th Grade
1--13 Years

Pointe Coupee

Pointe Coupee parish has been blessed with the presence of two courageous men, Sampson Jackson of New Roads, and Sargeant Carfield of Lettsworth, Louisiana.

Voter registration is difficult because most of the women do housework and numberous men are unemployed and therefore, fear of economic reprisal is the greatest impediment.

We have set many clinics in this parish over the past few days. We have only received a limited community response.

The only problem here is getting Negroes to attempt to register. The registrar is also another headache.

East Feliciana

Due to arrests, economic intimidations, and political conspiracy, it is extremely difficult to get Negroes to attempt to register.

Applicants are after intimidated by mayor, sheriff, and registrar with threats of implied physical and social reprisals in words such as "Hi boy, you got to live here. Don't get pushed up to doing things against white folks." Next to West Feliciana, Negroes are too damn afraid to breathe.

Voter registration workers are avoided and in many cases denied use of masonic hall, churches, and other assembly places.

Officers often stop voter registration workers and on August 2, 1963 the sheriff arrested CORE's task force worker, Mike Lesser, for disturbing the peace,as he was escorting Negroes to the registrar's office. At the home of Mrs. Josephine Holmes where CORE workers are living, the police officers sheriff deputies, and/or state troopers keep a 24 hour watch.

However, with the cooperation of Mr. Charles Spears who gave CORE the list of purged voters, Henry Richardson Bell Ricardson, Rev. Rice, Rev. Anderson, and others shall continue its drive.

Tangipahoa

A little better than East Baton Rouge, but this parish is still a hell of diversification and division. Negro leaders are attempting to please the great white fathers.

Local people are afraid of CORE. They believe that CORE will destroy the goodwill between Negroes and Whites.

There are many organizational splits between organizations like People Defense League, Tangipahoa Voters League Community

Voters League, and other groups. Coordination is almost impossible.

To describe the registrar take a glance at our field report. We are filing more complaints with the U.S. Department of Justice.

East Baton Rouge

In East Baton Rouge we have task force workers assigned but community interest, apathy, and split Negro leadership are making progress in reference to community coordination and voter registration gains impossible. As you can see, our field report indicates only gains in Baton Rouge. The cooperation we have received from the community has been terribly embarrassing. The second ward voters league has refused to accept our volunteers and the field worker for the league has not been available in weeks for conference, coordination, or cooperation in any form or fashion. The local chapter of the NAACP unfortunately is headed by Rev. Arthur Jeeks who is anti-CORE and who refuses to cooperative with CORE.

Patton influence?

People like Raymond Scott of FOCUS and second ward have literally told CORE workers that they are not needed. With these liabilities against us, we are considering pulling out the group in the next few days and we strongly urge that you release CORE of the responsibility of carrying on voter registration in East Baton Rouge until the local people indicate through some positive means that they are willing to accept dedicated workers to unite split forces, to put voter registration ahead of political deal, and to set up a coordination council utilizing the grass root approach to voter registration instead of the "newspaper and public speech" approach where persons are mentally registered. Understand?

West Baton Rouge

Next to Iberville, West Baton Rouge is a unique place in conservative Louisiana for getting people registered to vote. Although the sheriff is a cracker of the first magnitude which was manifested when he ordered our voter registration group out of town, the registrar, Mr. E.J. La Bauve is to some degree liberal to enforcing Louisiana voter registration laws. In short, he is not looking for errors.

As to police intimidation, I would like to point out that cops occasionally trail workers, but do not stop them or harass them.

Area for concentration is primary Port Allen.

PARISH SCOUTING REPORT - SUMMER PROJECT

POINTE COUPEE PARISH

CONTACTS:

1. Sampson Jackson 502 Morningside St. New Roads	H'way 10 to ~~Parent, right~~ Railroad, left on ~~Parent~~ Railroad to end, left on Morningside. House is on right, just before cinder-block church.
2. Matthew Battieste 302 Parent New Roads 638-8794	H'way 10 to Parent, right on Parent. House is on right, at a corner.
3. Joyce Taylor New Roads St. New Roads, La.	Off H'way 10 on gravel road. House is right next to library.
4. August Saizon New Roads St. New Roads	White house at end of street.
5. Seigent Caulfield Rt. 1 Box 517 Lettsworth GY 2 5825 (neighbor)	Off H'way to Lettsworth, past Lettsworth sign, and past a store on right. House is on left, middle of three houses.

CONFERENCES:

1. Sampson Jackson: Still enthusiastic about voter registration, and impressed us with his ability to command an audience. Enthusiastic about the proposed spring and summer project, but also interested in pushing traditional voter registration. Feels there would be good community support if there were workers in the community. Shows signs of negotiation-itis; wants to confer with proper white power fig ures before acting.

2. Matthew Battieste: Enthusiastic about summer project, but because of personal problems at home will be unable to assist this summer in Pointe Coupee. Discouraged about community cooperation because of failure of boycott and general lack of support by community of summer project last year, but is willing to try again. Predicts no cooperation from the ministers or teachers. Is a good contact for organizing the young people in and around New Roads.

3. Joyce Taylor: Was chairman of the CORE group when it was still meeting. Discouraged about lack of cooperation from the young people and the community, and unable herself to keep a voter registration project going. She reported that the mass rallies were dropped when the people stopped coming. Estimates that there are about 15 serious workers she could get together to help in spring and summer project.

4. August Saizon: Good worker, and probably willing to work on summer project.

5. Seigent Caulfield: Central figure and prime contact for this parish. Very interested in summer project, and feels there would be good cooperation from the community, especially outside of New Roads. Knows of many people who still want to register. Confident that we could find some places to hold registration and elections. Has wealth of contacts not only in this parish but also in surrounding areas. His daughter, Thelma, is a willing worker.

ECONOMIC LIFE:

1) Agriculture: The major crops are cotton, Irish potatoes, sugar cane, and onions.. Farming is largely plantation style, with many of the Negroes employed in farming working as sharecroppers and hired hands. Few Negroes own their own land. Most live in town and hire themselves out at harvest. The sugar cane is processed outside the parish. The following are the large landowning families of the parish: Schexnayder, Jobou, Loupe, and Major.

2) Industry: Not many Negroes are employed in local industry, a Southern Oil Co. plant and a new saw mill, and those that are hold menial jobs. Most Negroes work out of the parish, mostly in Baton Rouge.

POLITICAL LIFE:

Pointe Coupee is typical of those parishes where Negroes outnumber whites, but where power rests in the hands of a small group of whites. Principal figures in the power sturcture are Leo Mougeot, a staunch segregationist, and a member of the City Council, and Herbert Harrell, also a City Councilman. The Mayor of New Roads, Scott, has little real power. While there are no Negroes at all in government, there is a small group of Negro leaders who fancy that they are communicating with the white power structure, and that through conferences with the Police Jury, changes will be made in the completely segregated structure in Pointe Coupee. Chances of this happening are slim, but such men as Sampson Jackson continue to oppose direct action, legal or otherwise, until all avenues of negotiation have been exhausted.

EVALUATION OF NEGRO COMMUNITY:

Despite the summer project and the presence of two CORE Task Force workers this fall, there does not seem to be much cohesiveness in the Negro community. Traditionally Uncle Tom groups, of course, do not cooperate, but there seems to be a general difficulty in getting assistance, in transportation and financially, from the people of New Roads. Elswhere in the parish the people have pulled together, but there still remains a lot to be done before we can call the community organized.

VOTER REGISTRATION:

Of the approximately 13,000 Negroes of voting a ge in the parish only 1,300 are registered. At one time there were

about 3,000 Negroes registered, but the rolls were purged in the mid 1950's. There has been good turnout in the past at voter registration clinics; in New Roads alone, 582 people learned how to register, and in the three days between primaries, over 200 people tried to register, on a single day. Now there is no drive as such, and few people are visiting the registrar's office. The registrar, not affected by the Fifth Circuit Court's ruling, still uses the constitutional test.

FEDERAL AND LEGAL ACTION:

No federal action against the registrar, although some is needed. A group of young people is now planning to take legal action against the local trade school to force admission of Negro students. Nils Douglas has agreed to file the suit, and we have urged the communit y to raise money to assist the lawyers.

FEASIBILITY OF SUMMER PROJECT:

We conclude that Pointe Coupee is a good bet for trying the spring and summer project. Although there has been some trouble in the past with building community support, the fact that hundreds are still trying to register indicates that there is still mobilizable community sentiment. There are community leaders who are enthusiastic about the plans, and there probably won't be much opposition, since, as far as we know, CORE is the only active organization in the parish. We probably will get much more support from the country areas, so we would recommend concentrating the summer project not in New Roads.

PROGRESS TOWARD DESEGREGATION:

Briefly, none. A group of leaders, including Sampson Jackson and Seigent Caulfield are meeting with the Police Jury to demand a)desegregation of the trade school; b)de segregation of Welfare Department; and c)desegregation of the court house. I suspect that none of this will accomplished this way.

VOLUNTEERS FOR FREEDOM REGISTRARS:

Contact Joyce Taylor for names. She is now rounding up a group of young people to help in a voter registration drive. The same holds for volunteers for freedom election.

ORGANIZATIONS ACTIVE IN THE COMMUNITY:

CORE is the only group with any base at all in the community.

POLLING PLACES AND PLACES FOR FREEDOM REGISTRATION:

1. Church on Morningside St. - New Roads
2. Church and hall in Lettsworth - Scott's Methodist, Rev. McCoy
3. Church in Batchelor

Mr. Caulfield will try to find other places.

HOUSING AND FOOD ARRANGEMENTS:

Probably the same as last summer. Contact Matthew Battieste and Sampson Jackson.

INTIMIDATIONS:

Mr. Sampson Jackson reported that during the recent election, he was threatened by several white people, and there have been numerous phone threats on Mat Battieste's life and home, but none have ever been carried out, and no one expects they will.

COMMUNITY ATTITUDES TOWARD CORE:

The white community resists CORE's pressures, but feeling is that there isn't much chance of violence from whites.

Interest in CORE's program is high among the young people and some of the older leaders, and probably much of the Negro community could be mobilized by CORE.

Submitted by,

Mimi Feingold
Clinton, La.
April 14, 1964

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Fred Clark
Stanley St.
Hammond
345-6364
Directions: From Mrs. Crawford's house, heading toward Hway 190, take first right onto dirt road. First house on left. Home every day.

9. Henry A. Reed
1206 Willow St.
Hammond
345-1673 (parents' phone down the street)
Directions: Back in the woods. Get directions from Jessie Reeves or call .

10. Rev. R.L. Walker
220 W. Ash St.
Ponchatoula
386-3406
Directions: call him

Conferences:

1. Mr. Harvey is a key figure in the community, and should be the first one approached on any project. Although he is a member of the distrusted (by the Negro community) Biracial Committee, he holds the respect and trust of all members and leaders of the Negro community. He will most certainly assist in any way possible with voter registration work, and will, if satisfied that the Biracial Committee will not work, assist in direct action. Any direct action project would rely on him for support. He is most anxious to get a voter registration drive under way, and is interested, but not initially enthused about the summer plans.

2. Serina will supply the workers with a place to stay at $1.50 a night. Does not seem to be particularly attached to the movement.

3. Jessie Reeves is (or was) chairman of whatever passes in Hammond for a CORE group. At best she is not a strong leader, nor is her commitment to the movement a central fact in her life, but she is probably the best they have. Unfortunately, she will be leaving for California permanently in June. She is one of the few people who could rally the young people for VR work or direct action. She estimates that there would be a core of 10 or 15 workers for this summer, and is enthusiastic about the summer project, but needs help to get anyth ing going.

4. Mack Reynolds (as he is called) is one of the most active and trustworthy people in the CORE group. He will probably have to take Jessie's place. He is not an ideal person, and lacks the respect of the older community because he is a heavy wine drinker, but he can rally the young folks. He also likes the summer plans.

5. Rev. Lucien we have not met yet, but seems to be a trusted friend of Mr. Harvey's. Past experience indicates that he can only be relied on to an extent; his church may be available, but he would be unwilling to support anything more than VR.

SUMMER PARISH SCOUTING REPORT

TANGIPAHOA PARISH

Key towns: Amite (parish seat), Hammond, Ponchatoula

Statistics: Total popn: 59,434 ; Negro v.a.p.: 9,401
White v.a.p.: 22,312 ; Total v.a.p.: 31,713
Negroes regd: 3,194 ; Whites regd: 19,368
Total regd: 22,562

Contacts:

1. Levoice Harvey
Old Baton Rouge Road
Hammond
345-3977
Directions: entering Hammond on H'way 190, turn right at first Phillips 66 gas station. Turn right again at end of road, then take first gravel road to left. About ½ mile is white house on left, next to last house on street.

2. Serina
W. Holly St.
Hammond no phone
Directions: entering town on H'way 190, (from Baton Rouge) turn left about ½ mile (cross railroad tracks) across from business section is very nice house.

3. Jessie Reeves
Hammond (until June)
345-0874
Directions: from Serina's house, heading toward H'way 190, first left after railroad tracks. First house on second block on left side (large green house).

4. Mack Reynolds (or McReynold Wells)
610 S. Mooney
Hammond
345-4385
Locate through Jessie Reeves.

5. Rev. Lucien
Hammond
345-6414
Directions: around the corner from Serina's house, next to church - white house.

6. Jesse Davis, Jr.
Jackson Rd.
Hammond
345-49 85 (unlisted)
Directions: after high school, first house to left.

7. Mildred Crawford
309 Washington
Hammond
345-6557
Directions: call her.

~~Sydred Stark~~

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6. Jesse Davis, Jr. is a teacher at the Negro high school (history and civics). He is interested in voter registration work, and has expressed a desire to help teach VR. However, in our assessment, he is a teacher, and as such, a little shaky, and probably is willing to give names of other people who would help, rather than help himself. He might be pushed into teaching in case of emergency. Because of his initial reaction to VR work, we did not discuss with him the summer plans.

7. Mrs. Mildred Crawford was a J.K. Haynes contact, and is a good prospect for the NAACP. Will, if properly approached, and severely pushed, possibly act as a go-between with the PTA. Is good for giving names of other people who might help.

8. Fred Clark is executive secretary of the People's Defense League, which supposedly works together with Mr. Harvey's Tangipahoa Voters' League in promoting VR throughout the parish. Mr. Clark doesn't work, and devoted full time to VR not only in Hammond but in the smaller towns in the area. He has maintained good contact with VR leaders in other nearby parishes as well. He will help in any VR work we start, but would have to be pushed into some of our more radical plans. We have reservations about him, however; he is conservative, and somewhat of an amateur politician. He will allow us to use the Masonic Hall for VR work, but for nothing else.

9. Henry Reed has worked with Galway Kinnell and seems willing to assist us in all phases of the summer project. He is a helpful person, and seems honest and trustworthy. He knows many people throughout the surrounding area.

10. Rev. Walker is THE VR contact in Ponchatoula. He is somewhat shaky, according to reports from CORE workers and local people, but right now he can be pushed into doing considerable VR work through his church. We did not speak to him about the summer plans.

Contacts to avoid:

1. Marvin Taylor, Sr. The description of Mr. Taylor in Vic's report is adequate. The CORE group is doing a good job of easing him out of the picture.

2. Lester Tillis. Hangs around with Mr. Taylor. Also see Vic's report. We studiously avoided these two, and gave them no chance to know of the summer plans.

Economic Life:

We didn't question our contacts extensively in this area, but judging from what we saw and heard we gather that the major crop is strawberries and that there is a lot of independent farming and seasonal labor (picking).

Hammond is not an industrial center, although there is some opportunity for Negro employment, but it is a loading center for strawberries.

Political life:

There are no Negroes holding office. Mr. Harvey was the first Negro ever to run for office in the parish (in the mid 1950's); however, there is some indication that the Negro vote, led by Mr. Harvey, and other leaders, has been able to influence the local p olitical structure. Mr. Harvey feels that the Mayor, while not a liberal, can be trusted and realizes that in large part he owes his office to the Negro bloc vote. The Mayor is in overall charge of the police force (the Chief of Police is not elected, but appointed by the Mayor) and through his and the City Council's auspices, 2 Negro policemen (chosen by the Negro community) were appointed. There is a Biracial Committee which has yet, and can be expected to, accomplished little. There seems to be a more or less "liberal" white population (Hammond voted overwhelmingly for Lyons in the last election) with several white members of the biracial committee seemingly honestly concerned. A large part of the moderateness has been brought on by the fact that this is a college town, as well as the fear of future demonstrations; evidently, the spontaneous demonstration last September struck fear in the hea rts of t he good white folks.

Evaluation of Negro community;

The N egro community is sophisticated and has had a vaster experience with VR and politics than have most of the communities we have worked with. However, there is a vast difference between men like Mr. Harvey and the mass of the people. Moreover, Hammond is a good deal more advanced than any of the country areas. According to several of our contacts, areas like Ponchatoula, Kentwood, and the section of the parish bordering on Mississippi are in great need of organization and VR work. In such areas, fear and apathy are the overriding factors. In our estimation, the parish as a whole is ripe for the summer project, but that it should be concentrated outside the town of Hammond.

Voter registration, past and present:

CORE workers and the local voters leagues have pushed VR for the past several months, although momentum has died down now. Since this is one of the 21 parishes, the constitutional test is no longer being used.

Federal action, etc:

One of the 21 parishes. No specific federal action that we know of. Local citizens groups have, when the need arose, taken care of local legal action.

Feasibility of summer project:

As noted earlier, there is probably more potential for the summer project in the country areas and the sections of the parish not previously worked. We think we can get pretty good support from leaders in Hammond.

Progress toward desegregation:

There is a 16-member Biracial Committee (8 Negroes, 8 whites) which acts as an advisory body to the City Council. So far, it has had its requests granted: taking down signs in all public places, hiring of 2 Negro policemen, hiring of Negro clerks in the downtown stores during Easter, and the coordinating the opening of the Negro schools with the white schools in September. Currently on the agenda are the promotion of one of the Negro policemen to sargeant, full-time employment of Negroes in downtown stores, and desegregation of the local park (Zemurray Park). Of the latter, the Mayor has requested that the Negroes file a suit to desegregate; however, he has indicated that if this is not done, it may be taken before the City Council. We doubt that the Biracial Committee will ever accomplish much more than limited, token desegregation, and eventually the more militant leaders will have to resort to direct action techniques (which are now threatened, but not used).

Volunteers:

The nucleus of the local CORE group. The following names are especially helpful:
Jane Holden, Earl Wright, Mr. Willie Grant Jackson, Mr. Frederic Promise, and Rev. McGhee - also Mrs. E.C. Lee, Mr. William Fleet, and Mr. Lonny White.

Organizations active in the community:

CORE group - Jessie Reeves, chairman.
Tangipahoa Parish Voters League - Levoice Harvey, chairman
People's Defen se League - Rev. McGhee, chairman

Places for registration, etc.:

Hammond: Mason ic Hall (see Fred Clark), Rev. Lucien's church
Ponchatoula: Rev. Walker's church
Further scouting necessary.

Housing and food arrangements:

Housing and food available in Hammond (see Mr. Harvey). Housing may be available for one worker in Ponchatoula (see Rev. Walker).

Intimidations:

None that we know of.

Community attitudes toward CORE:

The white community, breifly, is very much afraid of CORE's power. The Negro community seems to respect CORE although it questions certain formerly active members in the Chapter.

Submitted by: Loria Davis, Mimi Feingold, and Howard Messing, Inc.

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SUMMER PARISH SCOUTING REPORT

WASHINGTON PARISH

Key towns: Franklinton (parish seat); Bogalusa

Statistics: Total popn: 44,015 ; Negro v.a.p.: 6,812
White v.a.p.: 16,804 ; Total v.a.p.: 23,625
Negroes regd: 1,570 ; Whites regd: 15,595
Total regd: 17,165

Contacts:

1. Artis Harvey
Rt. 6 Box 148
Franklinton
VE 9 2142
Directions: entering Franklinton from south on H'way 25 turn left on street just before railroad tracks (La. 430). Proceed 2 mi. to fork in road, take left fork about 1 mi. House is on left before getting to church, set back from road.

2. Ellyson F. Dyson
816 Greenlaw Ave.
Franklinton
VE 9 3626
Directions: call him

3. Rev. B.B. Moses
1010 Lincoln St.
Bogalusa
RE 5 5675
Directions: call him

4. Joshua Mondy
Gen Del.
Varnado
RE 2 2057

5. Pedro Mondy
1026 E. 7th St.
Bogalusa
RE 2 2642

6. L.C. Dawson
916 E. 7th St.
Bogalusa
RE 5 6024

7. Willie Ray Bromfield
1920 Bond St.
Bogalusa
RE 2 9862

8. Eddie Henny
1111 Roosevelt St.
Bogalusa
RE 5 6307

9. Julius R. Marshall
810 E. 8th St.
Bogalusa
RE 2 9589

10. Joseph Satin
714 Dolphin St.
Bogalusa
RE 2 2914

NOTE: all persons from 3 through 10 can be reached through local 189A of the United Paper makers and Paper workers Union.

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Conferences:

1. Mr. Artis Harvey is Chairman of the Washington Parish Colored Farmers' Fruit and Vegetable Cooperative. He will be a good contact for those wishing to form local Negro cooperatives. He seems to be a man not very easily intimidated by the white population. He has sadly not really been introduced to the idea of mass action; however, there is a possibility that if approached properly he might assume a role in a VR drive. According to his reports, he hasn't had much trouble from the white power structure, and feels that it isn't too hard to register in this parish, indicating to us that in this area he is somewhat conservative. His cooperative was formed to fight the monopolistic practices of one particular canning company.

2. Mr. Dyson is a lawyer and teacher in Franklinton, and according to Mr. Harvey, is the leading figure in that town in VR work. We did not get to speak with him.

3. Mr. Joshua Mondy is a militant Korean War (disabled) veteran, who devotes much of his time to VR work. He is well informed (high school education - about the best informed of all the people we met) about the local area as well as the national movement, and is familiar with CORE and its structure. He is presently conducting a one-man testing campaign of all segregated facilities in the downtown area. He is ready to take to the streets with direct action, and is most anxious for CORE to come into the community. He can be completely trusted, and is by far the most militant of the leaders in Bogalusa. He is Rev. Moses' nephew, and the cousin of Andrew Moses, head of the voters leagues.

4. Mr. Pedro Mondy is one of the leaders in the COPE (Committee on Political Education) of the local union. He, though less militant than Joshua Mondy, is, or could be, developed into an action leader. He seems to have the most militant views of any leader in the union. He promises the use of the union's Labor Hall for any meeting we might have. He is a member of local 189A, and a member of the Negro committee which has been bargaining with the City Council. This group seems to be more realistic than most biracial committees. Mr. Mondy feels that this committee ought to be given until the summer to work out grievances, and if unsuccessful, as he expects, he would then welcome CORE into the community.

5. Rev. Moses is a remarkable person with a truly fitting name. He is an excellent speaker, well, if not formally, educated, and a fascinating person. He can be counted on to help in any way possible, including housing workers for several days. He, if the situation merited it, would be willing to move beyond VR work.

6. Others: We met with a group of union personnel, called together by the Mondy duo; they are interested in VR work in varying degrees (the union carries on a program of VR) and would, we think, have to be carefully approached (through people such as the Mondy's and Rev. Moses) on any further action. Mr. Dawson is president of the local. We think that

there might be a fink in the group; we have reason to believe that our conversation was reported to the police.

Economic life:

Agricultural: There is farming, especially in the area around Franklinton. Most all farmers own their own land. The farming is mostly truck farming; they grow primarily okra, beans, and other green vegetables. They have several different crops a year, and rotate crops. The farmers seem to be well informed and well organized. They credit much of their success to the work of county agents, both Negro and white.

Industrial: Bogalusa is a major industrial center, with a very large Crown-Zellerbach paper and box factory. About 400 Negroes work at the plant, 318 of them in the union. The plant seems to have a more liberal policy than most southern operations, but still leaves much to be desired. There are no Negroes above levels of laboring categories, although many do skilled work. The union is currently negotiating with the company to ensure proper implementation of the Executive Order. The union, which is a segregated one, is very well informed about its rights, and is currently interested in combining with its white counterpart.

Political life:

There are no Negroes holding office, although there is now a group of Negroes bargaining with the City Council. The power structure seems to be willing to give in to at least certain demands for fear of demonstrations such as those which occurred in Hammond (i.e., Negroes are now employed in certain jobs). It was the feeling of the local leaders that the Negro bloc vote, though small, is significant in swinging elections, and for this reason, also, the power st ructure is willing to listen to them.

Evaluation of the Negro community:

The community in Bogalusa seems to be well organized and resonably well-informed through the auspices of the voters leagues which work with each other. It is ripe for CORE's type of program. They are now engaged in projects, through legal and possibly extra-legal channels, such as desegregation of the local trade school and integration of the downtown lunch counters, especially Woolworths (they are even contemplating a boycott of the store). The existence of the union has also contributed highly to the sophistication in the Negro community. The rest of the parish stands in stark contrast to Bogalusa; the country areas are governed by fear, ignorance, and apathy.

Voter registration, past and p resent:

As with the other parishes, there was a major p urge of the rolls in the late 1950's, but through legal and other action, many names were restored. There has been an active VR campaign in Bogalusa, which is well coordinated with VR work in the closely surrounding area s. Both the union and local voters

leagues are currently conducting VR campaigns, though this a ctivity has decreased since the last election.

Federal action, etc:

None that we know of. Local union has pursued ma tter in the courts since 1948 with several notable successes, but the federal government itself has not taken the initiative in filing suits. The union maintains its own lawyer.

Feasibility of summer project:

In spite of the overpowing stench created by the paper mill, we would highly recommend this area for summer work. The leaders want us, and we could undoubtedly get a lot of community support. There is much work to be done both in the city of Bogalusa and in the country. The work in the country, however, would meet with much more resistance. We have reason to believe that even work in the city, however, would meet with some police harrassment. In short, we feel that Bogalusa can easily be one of the most exciting and challenging places this summer and for a long time to come.

Progress toward desegregation:

There has been little formal organization and, therefore, progress, but there is much interest now within the Negro community to desegregated all kinds of facilities, not only the trade school and public fa cilities, but the police force.

Volunteers for freedom registrars, etc:

We are sure these could be found among the youth in the community.

Organizations active in the community:

Bogalusa Civic and Voters League - Andrew Moses, Ch'man
COPE - Pedro Mondy, Chairman
Vernado Civic Club - Mr. Creed Rogers (Rt. 1 Box 139A Vernado; PE 2 7694)
5th and 7th Ward Voters League - Mr. Edward Peters Rt. 1 Box 165 Angie Phone: 22831
(Moses and Mondy are the key figures).

Places for registration, etc:

The Labor Hall in Bogalusa is available, as well as Rev. Moses' church. Other places should not be hard to find.

Housing and food arrangements:

Not at all hard to find. Contact Rev. Moses.

Intimidations:

Although the leaders assured us that the power sturcture had not reacted to the voter registration drive, we feel otherwise. On the way out of town, we noticed a huge policeman with an equally huge and vicious police dog standing right in front of Woolworths, one reason we thought we spotted a fink.

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Community attitudes toward CORE:

The white community, evidently noting the demonstrations in Hammond and the recently established Regional Office in nearby New Orleans, is scared to death of CORE. The power structure, anxious to attract industry and people to Bogalusa, will do almost anything to keep CORE out. The Negro leaders, on the other hand, realize that they won't get much without putting considerable pressure on the authorities, and are therefore most anxious to have us work in the community. While there is some feeling that the Negro bargaining committee ought to be given a chance, the leaders feel that the summer should not be wasted.

Submitted by,

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Mimi Feingold
Howard R. Messing

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Bill Brown
Brendan Sexton

PARISH SCOUTING REPORT

Parish: St. Landry

I. Key towns: Opelousas, Eunice

II. Statistics: Total population 18,493 *, Voting age pop. 40,562*

Negro vot. age pop. 14,982*, White v.a.p. 25,580*

Negro registered 10,960**, White reg'd 22,952**

Total registered 33,912 **

* as of 1960
** as of 1963

Other pertinent statistics: Opelousas - corporate limits: 17,417, 49.9% increase over 1950. City zone: 18,900. 45% of parish regd. voters are Negro. Many wh. & N. illiterates.

III. Local Leaders: names, addresses, phone, and notes on conferences *

White, Overton - 1520 N. Market St., Opelousas 942-3027
826-3238 (res.)
Bryant, Charles - 327 Coleman St. Opelousas 948-8126
Frank, Rev. Joshua - 659 Farris St., Eunice GL 7-5607
Mrs. L.G. (Cathy) Stewart - 136 Moresi St. - Op. 948-3130
Millsdaugh, Richard - 990 N. Market St., Op. 942-5718
Terrence, August - 751 N. Market St., Op. 942-4893

* Notes on conferences on attached sheets.

IV. Comments on geographic, political, and economic conditions:

Eco. & geog.: Population concentrated in and around Opelousas as well as between it and Eunice. There is a great deal of oil and gas in the area. Farming consists mostly of sweet potatoes, rice, cotton, sugar cane, and live stock.

Pol.: The white power structure is very much dependent on the Negro vote which is approx. 1/3 of total. Every element of the political group wants to keep things quiet until after elections in Dec. There are 2 Negro candidates running, who have good chance of winning, (Butler, Frank) Political machine seems to feel that problems can be solved without outside help.

V. The Negro Community:

A. Representation in power structure: Several of the Negroes who are recognized as leaders by the whites and not all all accepted by the Negroes. The common feeling is that the N egro people are being misrepresented by these men. The younger and true leaders of the Negro community have gained only token recognition, but they have established lines of communication through which they are presently negotiating with the white (over)

B. Problems with Negro community: The major problem with the Negro community has been those Negroes who are in position to lead have influence on the power structure and support of the Negro community, but will not take a definite stand in support of the things the Negro community is fighting for. These men in the past have served as a stumbling block. The Negro community itself presents a problem: the people are asleep and anaware (over)

VI. Voter registration:

A. Past voter registration efforts; results and problems
1952: many Negroes were registered after a long battle for Negro registration led by Atty. Millspaugh.
1957: all were purged
1957-59: over 11,000 Negroes were placed back on the rolls through efforts of present sheriff.
1963: in the summer, NAACP group was reorganized and (over)

B. Complaints to Federal government and suits pending:
None. Suits were filed in Millspaugh's effort in 1952 to register, but all have been settled.

C. Feasibility of a vot. reg. drive in re. attitude of Negro and white communities: a voter r egisl drive would be quite useful and successful in this are a. The whites aren't strongly opposed to a Negro vote. The registrar, in talking, seems quite liberal; i.e., she allows correction on any form before turning them in. The number of Negro voters has not at all increased in proportion to the population increase. Therefore, a drive now would yield a great many voters.

D. How much money can be raised to support vot. reg. program:
It is difficult to say at this time.

E. Techniques of voter registration:

past in schools and homes

present none

suggested canvass and clinics

V.A. power structure to overcome the problems of segregation.

B. of the many problems, of their rights, and the ways of obtaining their rights.

VI. A. attempted a registration drive, but did not register very many people, or file complaints.

VII. **Progress toward desegregation:** There are 2 Negro men working as auto salesmen and one Negro woman as a salesgirl in the 5 & 10 ¢ store. Most efforts here have been toward employment, but the overall program as outlined by the NAACP leaders will call for desegregation also. The group decided jobs first, then desegregation. Negotiations for jobs have been going on for over 60 days without any progress.

VIII. **Possibility of direct action in re:**

A. **Voter registration-** Direct action for registration not likely unless we have large number of failures, arrest, or other forms of intimidation. The Negro here believes he receives a fair

B. **Desegregation** share so far as far as vot. regis. is concerned In the future yes, but right now the spearhead is for jobs, and to switch mid-stream would be harmful. If boycott is (Over)

C. **Job opportunities** Definitely. The people seem willing to support a boycott and picket in order to obtain jobs. NAACP group is presently working to have machinery for boycott ready

D. **Other areas** if talks with power structure are fruitless. None

IX. **Attitudes toward CORE and chapter development:** Many people here have great respect and admiration for CORE, but I want to contact more youth before attempting to establish a chapter. The NAACP leaders would not object to a CORE chapter, and I feel that the two groups could work well together in the community.

X. **Housing and board arrangements for CORE workers:** Permanent housing for CORE workers is being arranged. Address and name of landlord will be included in next field report.

XI. **Personal Reactions: (Comment on how you promoted voter registration while you were there, and what advice you gave the local people. Also, any other pertinent comments.)**
We have done very little to promote VEP in this area. Advised to local group (NAACP) to be prepared for possible picket and boycott situation. Explained machinery necessary to run boycott. Advised them to draw more youth into program because youth would be backbone of picketing. Reminded them that Christmas shopping is at its peak and if boycott is to be effect ive it should begin before Christmas.
Local businessmen are trying to stall until after holidays.
At meeting Thurs., Dec. 5, afternoon, advised NAACP leader to organize machinery for boycott. This program will be set in motion to begin with non-violent clinics Sat., Dec. 7, and arrangements for trans., picket signs, informing public, bond, etc. Advised group to have all plans completed by Thurs., Dec. 12 when they will again meet with Chamber of Commerce to discuss employment. Recommended Sat., Dec. 14 for picket and boycott being announced Fri., Dec. 13 with press releases and (over

VIII. B is introduced, then other areas will open for some type of protest.

XI. formal communication (verbal and written) with power structure.

ST. LANDRY PARISH

LOCAL LEADERS

WHITE, OVERTON:
Young attorney
Southern Univ. graduate
Executive secretary of parish NAACP

We have worked a great deal with Mr. White and he is definitely a recognized leader. In talking with him, he mentioned forming a CORE chapter in the area. Perhaps he was simply sounding to find or test our int entions, b ut we shall not lose sight of CORE possibility in the area. It may be pointed out, however, that he accepted a CORE (Freedom Now) button, but wears it on the inside of his coat. Thus far he has been very helpful in furnishing contacts and information. I would advise watching him just to be sure.

BRYANT, CHARLES:
Former minister
School teacher
President of NAACP

After working and talking with him I realized that Mr. Bryant is a very dedicated man, but his faith in the white fathers and the possibility of reaching a settlement with them can prove harmful. Before this late date he should have realized that the businessmen were stalling in their negotiation until after Christmas. Now, the group is forced to make last minute, hurry-up boycott plans. There is no doubt that Mr. Bryant has community support, the people thinking a great deal of him as a leader.

FRANK, REV. JOSHUA:
Minister
Candidate for police jury
Vice-president of NAACP

Rev. Frank is dedicated, but it remains to be seen just how dedicated he is. He talks well. He attends all meetings and has a great many followers, but may not be as militant as the situation may dem and of a person in his position.

STEWART, MRS. CATHY:
Housewife
Acting secretary, NAACP (under White)

Mrs. Steward gives all her time to work for the NAACP without pay. She has proven herself a good friend. Presently she is locating housing for CORE workers. She is very militant and a good worker.

TERRENCE, AUGUST:
Only Negro doctor

Dr. Terrence is a once militant man who just can't go alone with the present program. I was brushed off in my first attempt to talk to him. However, he has influence, and is worth seeking out and working with.

MILLSPAUGH, RICHARD:
Attorney

Mr. Millspaugh was leader of voter regis. drive in 1952. He is one of the not so militant Negro leaders who want to soft-peddle the issues now at hand. Many people place great faith in him; the younger and more militant NAACP leaders feel that he is blocking their program. After talking to him we are not yet sure that he is totally against them. He is financially tied down and obviously fearful, but still worth working with.

SUMMER PARISH SCOUTING REPORT

LIVINGSTON PARISH

Key towns: Livingston (parish seat), Denham Springs

Statistics: Total popn: 20,983 ; Negro v.a.p.: 1,818
white v.a.p.: 12,306; total v.a.p.: 14,124
Negroes regd: 1,165 ; whites regd: 11,565
total regd: 12,730

Contacts:

1. Mrs. Louise Lockhart
West Livingston High School
Denham Springs
NO 5 2669 (home); NO 5 8896 (school)
School is off H'way 190 to the right, going away from Baton Rouge.

2. Mr. Edward Taylor
P.O. Box 425
Denham Springs
NO 5 2955
Home is off H'way 190 to left, going away from B.R., across the street from the Gulf State Utilities Building.

3. Mrs. Elvira Bridgeman
Livingston
686-2404
After passing the Livingston town limit sign and the speed zone sign coming west on H'way 190, turn left onto a paved road, crossing railroad tracks. Her home is a large white house on the right-hand side.

Conferences:

1. Mrs. Lockhart is the principal of the West Livingston H.S. She is most interested in furthering and expa nding voter education work in the parish. Her husband, who we did not meet, is a foreman at the local car factory and seems q uite interested as well. She struck us as a good person, one we can trust. She hopes CORE can come into the community and meet with the young people.

2. Mr. Taylor, president of the People's Defense League and member of the Baton Rouge District Laymen's Movement (which A.C. Belton heads), is a more typical conservative voter registration worker and leader. An indication of this was his referring to the registrar as "a good man"(woman). He is the sort of person who believes that much can be done within t he existing power structure; however, he remains a good contact for strictly voter registration work, and might be pushed to furt her activity if properly approached. He is very well informed about the community.

3. We did not speak to Mrs. Bridgman directly, but we understand tha t she was active in the Defense League about four years ago. She was recommended as the only person in Livingston who would know about work there in voter registration.

Economic life:

Agricultural: Very little farming is done in this area, most of it being done in the south part of the parish and in the area bordering on Tangipahoa. There seems to be considerable logging activity including t rucking, the wood pulp being sent to the Crown-Zellerbach plant in Bogalusa.

Industry: Most Negroes work in Baton Rouge at plants such as Esso, Solvay, etc. There is one local plant of significance - an oar factory, the only of its kind in the world. It employs about 50 skilled workers, many of whom are Negro. Mr. Lockhart seems to be in overall charge of these workers, and has considerable authority.

Political life:

The power structure is all white, but Mr. Taylor tells us that the Negro vote is significant in putting many officials in office. The Negro bloc vote seems able to tip the scales, and is well organized. The white officials seem ready to acquiesce to some of the Negroes' demands, but in actuality, they haven't really been pressed.

Evaluation of the Negro community:

The Negro community seems relatively sophisticated and potentially organizable. It is unified not only through the voters league, but also through the church group, and if the intelligence of their leaders is any indication, this would seem to be a good community to work in. There are two areas of the parish which need extensive work: Ward 10 and the town of Livingston.

Voter registration past and present:

Ever since the la ts 1940's there has been registration work in this community, and even after the purging of the rolls, this work continu ed. As of late, there has been a resurgence of activity, especially just before the last election in the area around Denham Springs.

Federal action, etc.:

None that we know of. For some reason, the registrar, according to Mr. Taylor, has never used the constitutional test.

Feasibility of summer project:

Good for voter registration. Possibly good for demonstrations if approached caut iously. Feasibility of freedom registration questiona ble; community may be too sophisticated, but there would probably be good support for a Negro candidate for Congress.

Progress toward desegregation:

None that we know of, although this area should be pushed in the summer project.

Volunteers for summer project:

Good possibility of youth participation; we plan to meet with some young people in the near future, with Mrs. Lockhart's assistance.

Polling and registration centers:

Undoubtedly the places now used for meetings will be available to us. Either Mrs. Lockhart or Mr. Taylor could help arrange for places.

Housing and food arrangements:

According to Mrs. Lockhart, these are readily available.

Community attitudes towa rd CORE:

No indication of how the white community feels. The Negro community, it seems, would welcome us.

Submitted by,

Loria Davis, Mimi Feingold,
and Howard Messing.

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SUMMER PARISH SCOUTING REPORT

ST. TAMMANY PARISH

Key Towns: Covington (parish seat), Slidell

Statistics: Total popn: 38,643 ; Negro v.a.p.: 5,038
White v.a.p.: 16,032 ; Total v.a.p.: 21,070
Negroes regd: 2,642 ; whites regd: 16,327
Total regd: 18,969

(NOTE: Total whites registered exceeds the figure for whites of voting age!!)

Contacts:

1. Willis Reed
Box 282
Covington
892-2157 (phone under wife's name)
Phone him for directions to home. He lives out in the country.

2. Rev. Atkins
810 Lee Road
892-2870
Phone for directions. We didn't go to his house.

3. Mr. Owens
Covington-Rosenwald School
Covington.

Conferences:

1. Mr. Reed is president of the Citizens Improvement Association, which is apparently a relatively new organization. We found him after two fruitless days of searching. He is a salesman, and likely to be home only in the evenings. His wife teaches, but seems to have nothing to do with his voter registration and political activities. He is not very well informed about either the political structure or voter potential in his area. He is a difficult person to work with, and seems at best to be an opportunist. He has been accused of taking political bribes in the last election, and we have little reason to doubt this. He is new in the community and by his own admission has little, if any, mass support. He feels that he is able to handle the situation without the assistance of other outside groups.

2. Rev. Atkins is local head of the NAACP Chapter. He is as scared a Tom as we have found in a long time. He resents violently the loss of his position as community leader to Mr. Reed, and consequently he now refuses to do anything. He, too, has been accused of taking bribes, and we again have little reason to doubt this. He will not work with CORE.

3. Mr. Owens is Assistant Principal of the Covington-Rosenwald School, and was interviewed at the school. He is very shaky, and probably would be no help to any voter registration drive in the community.

Economic life:

We were unable to get much information in this area from any of our contacts.

Political life:

Political structure: All-white elected officials, none of whom seem to be particularly sympathetic and at most seem ready to grant only separate-but-equal facilities. There seems to be a good deal of political corruption.

Evaluation of Negro community:

The Negro community seemed to us is fragmented and apathetic. This may be due in part to the lack of honest, dynamic leadership.

Voter registra tion, past and present:

There have been voters leagues in operation for some time, but their drives seemed to have lacked mass community involvement. Galway Kinnell, CORE task force worker, assisted Mr. Willis Reed in setting up a voter registration drive this fall, providing him with advice and material. Mr. Reed, however, requested that CORE not come into the parish at that time.

Federal action, etc.:

None that we know of.

Feasibility of summer project:

We would not recommend St. Tammany for the summer project. The fragmentation in the Negro community, the lack of any outstanding leaders, and the probable corruption in existing leaders make this an impossible parish to work. Moreover, the community is probably too sophisticated for a freedom registration campaign. Because of all these factors, we did not lay any groundwork for summer work.

Progress toward desegregation:

No appreciable progress has been made.

Community at titudes toward CORE:

The white community is afraid of CORE, as in most areas. The Negro community is, as best as we can tell, not ready for CORE, and the Negro leaders seem to view CORE as a threat.

Submitted by,

Loria Davis, Mimi Feingold, and
Howard Messing

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April 15, 1964

Mr. W. C. Patton
234 Hernando Street
Memphis 5, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Patton:

Re VEP 4-11

We have approved your request for a grant in support of an NAACP voter registration program in Lake Charles, Louisiana, in the amount of $1500 for an eight-week program beginning May 1, 1964, and terminating on or about June 26. This is when the books close for the Louisiana primary. Our check in the amount of $1500 is being sent, together with a copy of this letter, to the NAACP national office.

We have under consideration at this time allof your requests which we discussed in the conference in the VEP office on April 8, and the supplemental requests which were made on the telephone on April 10, regarding programs which will start on May 15 or later and we will give you a decision on all of these prior to April 30.

Will you please state for us, in writing, the nature of the work which Mr. H.T. Love and Miss Helen Hayes are doing under your supervision and describe the manner in which they operate. I assume that each of them prepares travel itineraries in advance and it would be helpful to VEP if during the crucial months ahead we could be furnished with a copy of the travel itineraries, not only of Mr. Love

and Miss Hayes but also of your own schedule. With this information we could request that you and your staff get certain information when you visit a particular place and it is also possible that someone from VEP may want to examine a program with you. Such a procedure would also help to eliminate the confusion which has been created in the past where NAACP has launched voter registration programs in areas which were not assigned to them and where there was an ongoing VEP-supported program, such as was the case recently in Jacksonville and Savannah.

It also will be very helpful to us if you would share the field reports of your staff and your own with VEP as the primary purpose of VEP is research and we simply are not getting enough data from NAACP in this regard and it is our biggest participating agency.

Mrs. Whitaker reminds me that she has not yet received the Texas reports which you promised and we would appreciate your getting them to us within the next few days.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

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Return to us

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE

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Please direct reply to:
W. C. Patton
Field Secretary
234 Hernando Street
Memphis 5, Tenn.
525-6057

April 20, 1964

Wiley A. Branton, Esquire
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Fifth Floor
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Sir:

Thanks for the consideration given to our request regarding the program in Lake Charles, Louisiana. We hope to embark upon this program immediately. It is regrettable, however, that we could not get the full amount requested or at least $2,000.00.

The functions of Mr. Love and Miss Hayes are that of organizing and stimulating voter-registration campaigns in areas where we feel that we can have the best results at this time.

In most instances, where we have not had campaigns prior to now, I make an effort to go in and hold the initial meeting and do other preliminary work incidental to organizing the campaign. We try to have Miss Hayes and Mr. Love remain with the most needed sections during the organizational period and to make other visits as the need arises. No advance travel itineraries are made by them or any of us for that matter, because our movements are based upon need rather than simply making a visit. For that reason, we cannot furnish you with a travel itinerary.

From our last conference you should have a general idea of the approximate time we will be moving into an area. If there is any particular information you would like to have procured, we will be happy to forward this to your office.

I have tried very hard to make crystal clear that it is not my policy to move into areas, even with NAACP funds, where a successful ongoing program is being conducted by some other organization. In the case of Jacksonville, which you mentioned in your letter, you may recall we were assigned this area quite sometime ago. In the case of Tallahassee, where we had campaigns prior to this time, NAACP people were not satisfied with the progress of the campaign under another group's direction and I was requested to aid there. The campaign finally resulted in 1,019 persons being registered in a three week period. However, both Tallahassee and Savannah are isolated cases. I would hope that this would not be the situation in the future. I hasten to say, however that if local branches feel

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that it is extremely necessary that we need to become a part of a program in a community, we are under obligation to consider their requests.

With warmest regards, I remain

Yours truly,

W. C. Patton lc

W. C. Patton

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Mass Registration Planned By Negroes

See Hand Neck Commonwealth 5-1-64

Halifax County's Negro citizens are being prodded by their leaders to register and vote in the May 30 Democratic Primary.

It is part of an intense campaign to qualify upwards of 12,000 Negro voters in Northeastern North Carolina's First, Second and Third congressional Districts. The push in this county comes from the Halifax Voters Movement, an organization headed by A. C. Cofield of Weldon, who has announced that he will be a write-in candidate opposing Congressman L. H. Fountain in the November general election.

The organization has 23 district or precinct chairmen scattered throughout the county, all taking an active part in the campaign to get their people to the polls.

Halifax County has a population of 58,000 and only 1,600 of its 32,000 Negro people are registered. About 14,000 whites are registered to vote.

The major goal of the Halifax Voter's Movement is "to see that every qualified Negroin the county registers and then votes." Mass meetings and voter registration classes have been set up throughout the county are open to the public without charge. District and precinct chairmen inform citizens as to when the meetings will be held.

Two weeks ago 11 Negroes filed for election to various offices in the county, ranging from posts in the N. C. General Assembly to coroner. In an effort to swing a heavy Negro vote the Halifax Voters' Movement is expected to have Negro citizens form lines at polling places on the three registration days prior to the Democratic Primary.

The Halifax Voters' Movement has labeled itself a "well organized, well financed, and well staffed freedom movement — a vigorous and democratic movement led by local people from all sections of Halifax County. It has professional civil rights staff people working night and day in Halifax County. It has full legal aid from the best national law offices, it has important contacts in the U.

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S. government and all over the country."

A statement circulated by the Halifax Voters' Movement reads: "Throughout Halifax County there is rampant prejudice, discrimination and poverty. We are treated as though we are less than human. Most of our people are denied good jobs solely on the basis of our skin color—and many of us can get no jobs at all. Public facilities—such as schools, hospitals, and playgrounds — are inferior and are rigidly segregated. Virtually no public accommodations — hotels, motels, and restaurants—are open to us. The homes we live in—through no fault of our own—are often woefully inadequate. The streets in our neighborhoods are usually unpaved and the civic services are very poor. Sharecroppers and tenant farmers are cheated. No Negro law enforcement officers are hired anywhere in the county. And there are many, many other problems."

The Rev. Charles W. Ward of Raleigh,leader of the statewide movement, has said that even with intense registration and voting Negroes do not have the "preponderance" to win many offices but there is a possibility of electing several Negroes.

WB
JL

May 8, 1964

M E M O R A N D U M

To: Jean Levine

From: Barbara Whitaker

Re: NAACP CAMPAIGN IN LAKE CHARLES, LOUISIANA

W. C. Patton telephoned on 5/6/64 to indicate that a member of the City Council in Lake Charles, Louisiana, recently resigned and a special election will be held to elect a replacement. Consequently, the books will be closed from May 12 until June 13. The books will also close June 27 to reopen in late July.

The program was originally scheduled to run from May to June 26. As a result of the special election, the campaign was delayed. The campaign now will run for an undetermined length of time.

B.W.
BW

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April 15, 1964

Dr. R. N. Beck, Chairman
Sixth Congressional District Voter
Education Project
403 North Dargan Street
Florence, South Carolina

Dear Dr. Beck:

I am pleased to inform you that the Voter Education Project has approved a grant in the amount of $6000 in support of a three-month voter registration program in the Sixth Congressional District of South Carolina. This program will begin on May 1, 1964, and terminate on July 31, 1964. This is unless it is subsequently continued by the Voter Education Project.

We have received a blank check from you showing the electronic code numbers and special account number. We are assuming that you obtained this special account number specifically for this voter project and that this was not a number which had already been assigned to one of your personal accounts. If this is not true, then you should phone us immediately so that we can correct it at the printers.

We prefer that you not release any publicity concerning the amount of the grant which we are making to you other than to members of your executive committee or persons active with your registration program and all inquiries concerning the amount of the grant from reporters or others should be referred to our office. It probably

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would be best if there was no news release to the effect that you have received a grant from VEP but you definitely should not deny receiving support from us if anyone should ask. If you feel that you want to release publicity concerning your Congressional District program and wish to mention VEP you should simply state that the "voter registration program is being supported by the Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council," and let it go at that.

It is our understanding that your group will carry on an active voter registration program in every county in the Sixth Congressional District.

This grant will be paid to you in installments of $2000 each, the first of which will be sent to you on or before May 1, with subsequent installments being sent to you at approximately 30-day intervals, but the payment of all future installments will be conditioned upon prompt progress and financial reporting. Our Research Assistant, Mrs. Barbara Whitaker, will write you concerning progress reporting requirements, and your financial reporting is to be done on a weekly basis in accordance with the instructions which are being sent you under separate cover.

Please let us know the name and address of the Treasurer of your organization and tell us to whom checks should be sent, and where you want us to maillyour printed voucher checks when we get them.

The Voter Education Project is a non-partisan program in every sense of the word and no part of the funds from VEP may be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of nor against any political candidate. This restriction applies whether the political candidate be white or Negro.

You will be required to furnish the VEP office with complete and full information regarding your voter registration program and it is understood that VEP may cancel this program at any time and require that you pay over to VEP any unexpended funds which you may have on hand.

We have made a separate grant to the Congress of Racial Equality in support of salaries and expense payments to Messrs. Brown and Robinson, CORE Field Secretaries, and have requested that they be assigned to the Fifth and Sixth Congressional Districts of South Carolina where they have formerly worked. It is expected that they will be utilized by you in lieu of the hiring of any paid coordinators.

We are enclosing a copy of this letter and request that you indicate your understanding of the conditions and restrictions of this grant by signing this copy and returning it to us at once.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

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6th Cong. Dist
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TELEPHONES
OFFICE MOHAWK 2-3013
RESIDENCE MOHAWK 2-3102

R. N. BECK, M.D.
403 NORTH DARGAN STREET
FLORENCE, S. C.

April 6,1964

Mr. Wiley A. Branton
Project Director
Voter Education Project
Room 206
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

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Dear Mr. Branton:

I received your letter of April 2, 1964 in reference to a grant to be made to the Sixth Congressional District Voter Education Project.

I am sending a blank check with the name of the bank, electric code numbers and special account number.

We shall expect the voucher checks in triplicate sent through your printer in Atlanta.

Yours truly,

R.N. Beck

RNB:bb

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April 2, 1964

Dr. R. M. Beck
403 W. Dargan Street
Florence, South Carolina

Dear Dr. Beck:

Upon recommendation of our Field Director, Mr. Randolph Blackwell, we have decided to make a grant to the Sixth Congressional District Voter Education Project in support of a voter registration program in your area. It will probably take us several days longer to reach a decision as to the exact amount of the grant which we will make and the duration of the program.

In any event, we will require the use of printed voucher checks in triplicate which we can order for you through our printer here in Atlanta and bill you for the actual cost. In order to expedite your program we will need from you immediately a blank check indicating the name of your bank and electronic code numbers which your bank may use. Let me point out that you will have to open a special account separate from any other account your organization may now maintain and this special account is to be used only for the disbursement of money coming to you from the Voter Education Project. This special account should bear the name Sixth Congressional District Voter Education Project.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

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TELEPHONES:
OFFICE MOHAWK 2-3013
RESIDENCE MOHAWK 2-3102

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R. N. BECK, M.D.
403 NORTH DARGAN STREET
FLORENCE, S. C.

April 18, 1964

Mr. Wiley A. Branton, Project Director
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street, N.W., Room 206
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton:

I received your letter of April 15, 1964 informing us of the $6,000 grant in support of a three-month voter registration program in the Sixth Congressional District of South Carolina.

The electronic code numbers sent to you are numbers assigned to the special account and not to my personal account.

The secretary-treasurer of our organization is:

Rev. L.B. Burgess
126 South Ravenel Street
Florence, South Carolina

Please mail the printed voucher checks to me at the above address.

Yours very truly,

R.N. Beck

R.N. Beck

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RECEIVED THIS 16 OF APRIL, 1964
SIGNED: R. N. Beck

Voter Education Project

A PROGRAM OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

ROOM 206 / 5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. / ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA / TELEPHONE 525-0595

Wiley A. Branton, Project Director

April 15, 1964

Dr. R. N. Beck, Chairman
Sixth Congressional District Voter
Education Project
403 North Dargan Street
Florence, South Carolina

Dear Dr. Beck:

I am pleased to inform you that the Voter Education Project has approved a grant in the amount of $6000 in support of a three-month voter registration program in the Sixth Congressional District of South Carolina. This program will begin on May 1, 1964, and terminate on July 31, 1964. This is unless it is subsequently continued by the Voter Education Project.

We have received a blank check from you showing the electronic code numbers and special account number. We are assuming that you obtained this special account number specifically for this voter project and that this was not a number which had already been assigned to one of your personal accounts. If this is not true, then you should phone us immediately so that we can correct it at the printers.

We prefer that you not release any publicity concerning the amount of the grant which we are making to you other than to members of your executive committee or persons active with your registration program and all inquiries concerning the amount of the grant from reporters or others should be referred to our office. It probably

would be best if there was no news release to the effect that you have received a grant from VEP but you definitely should not deny receiving support from us if anyone should ask. If you feel that you want to release publicity concerning your Congressional District program and wish to mention VEP you should simply state that the "voter registration program is being supported by the Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council," and let it go at that.

It is our understanding that your group will carry on an active voter registration program in every county in the Sixth Congressional District.

This grant will be paid to you in installments of $2000 each, the first of which will be sent to you on or before May 1, with subsequent installments being sent to you at approximately 30-day intervals, but the payment of all future installments will be conditioned upon prompt progress and financial reporting. Our Research Assistant, Mrs. Barbara Whitaker, will write you concerning progress reporting requirements, and your financial reporting is to be done on a weekly basis in accordance with the instructions which are being sent you under separate cover.

Please let us know the name and address of the Treasurer of your organization and tell us to whom checks should be sent, and where you want us to mail your printed voucher checks when we get them.

The Voter Education Project is a non-partisan program in every sense of the word and no part of the funds from VEP may be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of nor against any political candidate. This restriction applies whether the political candidate be white or Negro.

You will be required to furnish the VEP office with complete and full information regarding your voter registration [illegible] [illegible] that VEP may report [illegible] [illegible] you [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

We have made a separate grant to the Congress of Racial Equality in support of salaries and expense payments to Messrs. Brown and Robinson, CORE Field Secretaries, and have requested that they be assigned to the Fifth and Sixth Congressional Districts of South Carolina where they have formerly worked. It is expected that they will be utilized by you in lieu of the hiring of any paid coordinators.

We are enclosing a copy of this letter and request that you indicate your understanding of the conditions and restrictions of this grant by signing this copy and returning it to us at once.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

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April 24, 1964

Dr. R. N. Beck, Chairman
Sixth Congressional District
403 N. Dargan Street
Florence, South Carolina

Dear Dr. Beck:

RE VEP 4-12

In accordance with the terms of our letter to you dated April 15, 1964, I enclose herein our VEP check in the amount of $2,000 representing payment of the first installment of the $6,000 grant which we have approved for a 3-month voter registration program in the Sixth Congressional District of South Carolina. This check should be deposited in your special VEP account and all financial transactions and reportings should be in accordance with instructions previously sent to you, and your progress reportings should follow instructions which will be sent to you by Mrs. Whitaker. We have mailed to you under separate cover 500 triplicate voucher checks and you should start using them in numerical order, and we should be furnished with copies of all checks written or voided each week.

I want to welcome you and your co-workers into this massive voter registration program and we look forward to a pleasant and profitable relationship which should lead to substantially increased registration.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton
Director

WAB:bs

Enc. Check of $2,000

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JD

MEMORANDUM

TO: WAB

April 28, 1964

FROM: JD

RE: Letter to Dr. R. N. Beck indicating approval of grant and manner of its use.

It is my opinion that there should be an understanding that Mr. Frank Robinson send to us a plan of how he shall involve himself as a coordinator in the Sixth Congressional District, and that his reports to us reflect how he is proceeding as a coordinator. But the letter should be couched in such diplomatic language so as not to cause resentment.

JD:bs

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RTB is suppose to take this matter up on his
Current trip to S.C.!

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403 North Dargan Street
Florence, South Carolina
April 29, 1964

Mr. Wiley A. Branton, Project Director
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street, N.W., Room 206
Atlanta 3, Georgia

APR 30 1964

Dear Mr. Branton:

We received the VEP check in the amount of $2,000 representing the first installment of the $6,000 grant which you have approved for a three-month voter registration program in the Sixth Congressional District. We also received 500 triplicate voucher checks. We are awaiting instructions on progress reporting from Mrs. Whittaker.

We thank you very much for this assistance and shall look forward to increasing our voter registration in the Sixth Congressional District.

Yours very truly,

R.N. Beck

R.N. Beck, Chairman
Sixth Congressional District's
Voter Registration Project

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April 30, 1964

Dr. R. N. Beck, Chairman
Sixth Congressional District
Voter Education Project
403 North Dargan Street
Florence, South Carolina

RE: VEP 4-12

Dear Dr. Beck:

We are sending, under separate cover, a supply of research reporting forms. We request that you submit a report on each county in the Sixth Congressional District no later than the 10th of each month, commencing on June 10. We believe the items on the forms to be self-explanatory, but feel free to question or make comments.

At the conclusion of your project, we will expect a comprehensive narrative report. The outline for this report is enclosed.

Let us know if we can be of assistance to you.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Barbara I. Whitaker
Research Assistant

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May 6, 1964

Rev. J. W. Robinson
202 West Jackson Street
Dillon, South Carolina

Dear Rev. Robinson:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of May 1 in which you request funds for a registration drive in your county and in which you stated that Rev. M. D. McCullum advised you to write this office for help.

We have recently made a grant for a congressional district program in every county in the Sixth Congressional District, and I am writing Dr. R. N. Beck who is chairman of the Sixth District to see if there is any way that your organization can be brought into the existing program.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:bs

cc Dr. R. N. Beck, Chairman
Sixth Congressional District
403 N. Dargan Street
Florence, South Carolina

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MAY 4 1964

202 West Jackson St.
Dillon South Carolina
May 1, 1964

Dear Sir;

Our county has been organize into its diffrent precints with in the country.

Our gaul is to put 500 on the books befor they close this mounth May 15th .

In talking to the Rev M.D. McCullum as to funds to help us inthid drive, He advise me to write to this office for a request for help , so if there is any way that we may, We will aooreciate what ever can be done .

The Country Ch. J.W. Robinson
" Treasure B.A. Spann
Sec. Miss C. Rawells

Very truly yours
Rev. J.W. Robinson

Dillon is in 6th Cong. Dist.
Write Dr. Beck

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Financial

MAY 11 1964

403 North Dargan Street
Florence, South Carolina
May 9, 1964

Miss Jean Levine, Fiscal Assistant
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street, N.W., Room 206
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Miss Levine:

You will find enclosed a check in the amount of $33.53, reimbursement for the cost of 500 Voucher checks to be used by the Sixth Congressional District.

Yours very truly,

R.N. Beck

R.N. Beck

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May 7, 1964

Dr. R. N. Beck
Sixth Congressional District V.R.P.
403 N. Durgan Street
Florence, South Carolina

Dear Dr. Beck:

We have received the invoice for your check imprinting and the cost is as follows:

500 Voucher checks	$32.85
Sales Tax	.98
Total	$33.83

Will you kindly reimburse us for the cost of these checks. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

Jean Levine
Fiscal Assistant

May 11, 1964

Dr. R. W. Beck
Chairman
Sixth Congressional District
Voter Education Project
403 North Dargan Street
Florence, South Carolina

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Dear Dr. Beck:

In reply to your letter to Mrs. Whitaker of April 30, it is much more desirable from our standpoint that you have each county leader submit the bills to you and then you can pay them by check.

Where you are making payment for the actual item by check, then it is not necessary that you prepare a voucher. If you feel that each county will need a small petty cash fund, then you can make a check out for each county, but they will then have to account to you by voucher for the petty cash expenditures. All of this will subsequently have to be reported to us by you.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:js

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For your reply — WB
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JS

403 North Dargan Street
Florence, South Carolina
May 9, 1964

MAY 11 1964

Mrs. Barbara I. Whitaker, Research Assistant
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street, N.W., Room 206
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Whitaker:

We received your letter of April 30, 1964 with the enclosed outline for a comprehensive narrative report. We have also received, under separate cover, the supply of research reporting forms.

Since this information did not reach our hands before our district meeting, we are somewhat in the dark about the most effective way of disbursing funds through the nine counties of the Sixth Congressional District. At our meeting we agreed to grant each county $150 per month for operating expenses. The question now is whether or not this is practical, especially since the funds have to be accounted for item for item.

Please advise us at your earliest convenience as to how we may defray the expenses of the nine counties. Shall we merely make out a check to each county in the amount of $150, or should we just inform them that they have a budget of $150 and have them submit their bills to us and we pay them by check and make out the vouchers here in the District Office?

Let us hear from you at once about this matter so that we may forward this information to all of the county chairmen.

Yours very truly,

R.N. Beck Jr.

R.N. Beck

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403 North Dargan Street
Florence, South Carolina
May 29, 1964

Miss Jean Levine, Fiscal Assistant
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street, Room 206
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Miss Levine:

Enclosed you will find the financial report for the Sixth Congressional District for the four weeks in May. I am sorry that I did not understand that the reports should be made to your office weekly. However, I shall send the weekly reports from now on.

You will notice that we have not accounted for check #251. Somehow that check has been misplaced. When I come across it, I shall send it to you after it has been voided.

Yours very truly,

R.N. Beck

Encl.

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May 27, 1964

Dr. R. H. Beck
403 N. Dargan Street
Florence, South Carolina

Dear Dr. Beck:

If you will refer to the instructions for financial reporting which Mr. Branton sent you at the time of your grant letter you will notice that the conditions of your grant call for weekly financial reporting.

So far we have received no fiscal reporting from your project. Will you please begin weekly reporting so that both you and we will be in compliance with the regulations of the Treasury Department regarding our tax exempt status.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

Jean Levine
Fiscal Assistant

June 16, 1964

AIR MAIL

Dr. R. N. Beck
403 N. Dargan Street
Florence, South Carolina

Dear Dr. Beck:

Thank you for your prompt reply to my letter.

Yes, my suggestion would be to continue to use the series in the second box of checks and when you have finished them to go back to the first box. Just as long as we are aware that this is what happened there is no difficulty and I think this method would be a more convenient one for you.

Thank you for notifying the counties of the necessity for accounting for their cash funds. We will anticipate getting these vouchers when you do.

I wonder, Dr. Beck, if you would be kind enough to send us the text of the radio announcements for which you paid WYNN the sum of $10.50, your check #0270. In order for us to comply with the regulations imposed upon us by the Treasury Department, it is necessary that we retain in our files copies of any publicity or advertising used by the projects to which we have given support. OK

Thank you for your courtesy and attention.

Sincerely,

Jean Levine
Fiscal Assistant

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JUN 9 1964

403 North Dargan Street
Florence, South Carolina
June 8, 1964

Miss Jean Levine
Fiscal Assistant
Voter Education Project
Room 206
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Miss Levine:

Thank you for your letter of June 6. We received two boxes of checks. One box runs from 0001-0250. The second box runs from 0251-0500. You were correct in saying we had started with the second box which accounted for the high numbers. Would you suggest that we continue in the series contained in box two until it is finished and then use the checks contained in the first box to save further confusion?

As your office advised, the nine counties were instructed to account for the use of the petty cash which they are in the process of doing. After receiving their reports, I will send vouchers to you covering the checks you mentioned from 0254-0263.

Yours truly,

R. N. Beck, M. D.

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I would say yes - Continue to use the second series.
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ask for text of radio announcements
WYNN #0270
$10.50

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June 6, 1964

Dr. R. N. Beck
403 N. Dargan Street
Florence, South Carolina

Dear Dr. Beck:

Thank you for your letter of May 29, and for the financial reporting which accompanied it.

There is some confusion about your check series which I wonder if you would help me clear away. Have you, perhaps, begun using your checks out of order? In other words, were they delivered to you in two or more boxes, and have you begun to use checks out of the second or third box? The reason we are concerned about this at all is the high numbers in your check series with which you begin your reporting. Usually they do not begin this high. Will you check this and let me know so that I can mark our records to correspond with yours.

I am confident that you understand that all the checks you have written to various people for expenses, which you have made out to "Petty Cash" will eventually have to be supported by voucher to this office. In other words, we will have to have an accounting as to what purposes these people used this money. This means that, as of this moment, we need support account for the following checks:

0254	0259
0255	0260
0256	0261
0257	0263
0258	

This type of reportigg will be required in the future of any such checks of this type, if you continue to use this system.

We will be watching for check 0251 which you have promised to void and send us when you find it. We, vey definitely, willneed this check, too.

Thankyyou.

Sincerely yours,

Jean Levine
Fiscal Assistant

403 North Dargan Street
Florence, South Carolina
June 19, 1964

Dear County Chairman:

We have an additional $100 available for each of the nine counties and it should be spent immediately for radio announcements, posters, placards, workers, or for whatever you may need to use it.

This is the balance of the $150 to be alloted to each county for the month of May.

We are enclosing a sample form of the vouchers for you to make up to cover these expenditures and when you send these back to us along with the receipt (or invoice) for the expenditure, we will send you the check to cover same.

This is the accounting method required by the Atlanta office and we have to follow as outlined.

We also need vouchers and receipts to cover your expenditures from the $50 petty cash fund that we have already sent. These may cover cost of workers, office supplies, stamps, printing, announcements, or any other necessities, but we must have vouchers and receipts to substantiate.

Enclosed you will also find a sample of the type of radio announcement acceptable by the FCC. Please be advised not to mention the word "Negro" or make any reference to race in any radio or television announcement.

Yours very truly,

R.N. Beck, Chairman
Sixth Congressional District VEP

SAMPLE OF RADIO ANNOUNCEMENT

We expect 5,000 additional registered voters this week in Florence County.

Sponsored by Florence County
Voter Education Project

or

John Doe, Chairman
Florence County VEP

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403 North Dargan Street
Florence, South Carolina
June 20, 1964

Miss Jean Levine, Fiscal Assistant
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street, N.W., Room 206
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Miss Levine:

Enclosed you will find the financial report for the Sixth Congressional District for the week ending June 20, 1964. We have also enclosed a copy of the radio announcement that was reported to you on last week's ledger sheet.

The reports from the counties on petty cash expenditures are still incomplete and we will forward them to you as soon as we get them in.

Yours very truly,

R.N. Beck, Chairman
Sixth Cong. Dist. VEP

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DR. R.N. BECK'S REPLY TO MR. VIRGIL DIMERY

403 North Dargan Street
Florence, South Carolina
July 23, 1964

Mr. Virgil Dimery, Registration Chairman
Williamsburg County Voters League
P.O. Box 331
Kingstree, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Dimery:

I am quite surprised to read your letter of July 21, 1964 in which you tried to inject suspicion and division.

In the first place, you have attended the monthly meetings which are held at various county seats. You did not bring up the question of executive committee meetings then.

As you know, most of the meetings are held with the host county chairman in complete charge, and any questions relative to the organization or to the policy making of the organization should be brought up at that meeting.

Mr. Dimery, I am wondering who or what is behind all of these gripes. You have been a dissenter ever since the organization had its beginning. We do not receive a penny for our services. We have workers giving of their free time in order to get out accurate educational and financial reports each month.

Furthermore Mr. Dimery, we did not agree to pay $400 to your county organization for bills incurred. We agreed at our first meeting to allot each county $150. We then contacted the fiscal agent in Atlanta who stated that vouchers and receipts had to be submitted in order to secure this money. This is the procedure that most chairmen and secretaries adhere to. They are doing a fine job of registering and educating our people

Now, Mr. Dimery, I am wondering just what is behind your letter. Are you trying to break up the organization? Rev. Burgess is not a paid worker, nor is he trying to shape policy in our organization; I am not a paid worker. We are both interested in gathering data and stimulating voter registration efforts as prescribed by VEP.

As to who will finance the project after VEP has gone, I do not know. But one thing for certain, most of the county units which are well organized, will finance their own undertakings. Florence has done this for many years, and so have other counties.

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Is it not pity that organizations must come into our state and stimulate us to do things that we should have done many years ago?

Most of our successful connties have been engaged in voter registration work for many years now; and these are the most cooperative ones. One of our counties has 47% of the total registrants as reported on yesterday (July 22, 1964). It is a very cooperative county.

Now back to finance. We have received only one allotment check. Out of this is to be paid $150 to each county, and what amount that is left over, we distribute equally. This has been understood by all of the chairmen.

To answer another of your questions, the members of the entire Sixth Congressional District participate in the organizational meetings. We only discussreports, educational and financial, and urge increased voter registration participation.

I want to ask one thing: who is protesting — you or the organization? Your county, Williamsburg, has a population in which Negroes make up 66% of the total. You have a great potential, you need only to organize and work to get them registered.

We do not project our policies in this organization, we are only interested in registering our people and having the county units to submit accurate financial and educational reports. We are interested in voter education work.

We welcome any meeting of the executive committee or otherwise. We have a strong congressional organization composed of dedicated men and women who are going forward in registering our people, and in the creation of leadership.

This program is bigger than either of us. We will continue to help in this great cause.

The policy of disbursing and accounting for money as well as reporting, is determined by the Atlanta office.

Yours truly,

R. N. Beck

R. N. Beck, Chairman
Sixth Congressional District
Voter Education Project

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Box 331
Kingstree, S.C.
July 28, 1964

Mr Wiley A. Branton
Project Director
Voter Education project
5 Forsyth Street N.W.
Atlanta, Ga.

JUL 30 1964

Dear Mr Branton:

I received your letter of July 24 today. Perhaps, you thought it was a bit strange that I sent copies of the letter to Dr Beck all over the country. However, I feel that if you were aware of the situation as it has existed in the Sixth District, you could well understand the frustration which led me to do just what I did in an attempt to correct it.

Although Dr Beck has been a friend of our family and is my Brother's Doctor in Florence, I found it impossible to keep silent any longer. This thing of Civil Rights and Voter Registration is too close to me and to see a golden opportunity to get a job done in South Carolina

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being frittered away in red tape and ineffectual action was just too much for me. To me, Registration is matter of survival and meaningful progress for negro citizens in the South. It is a job that must be done. For that reason we give our time and a total Committment in this struggle. I cannot brook playing with this thing, I want to see dedication and sincerity.

As to U.E.P. position in spending the money granted by them, we of the Williamsburg County Voters League, have no desire to set your policy, but we must say it does somewhat handicap us in our job of Registering our Citizens. That is one of the Reasons we have been trying to get a meeting of The Executive Committee, so we might have a chance to present the problems we encounter at the grass-Root level and in turn have them Conveyed to you.

As to the money our Funeral Home has advanced to the Williamsburg County Voters League, I feel that U.E.P. has a moral Committment to work

some plan for us to be reimbursed. Mr Blackwell of U.E.P. told us to get the workers and get the job of Registering done, that the money would be paid. Someone had to pay the workers, someone had to buy stamps, paper, ect. we had only 18 days in may to get registered before the June primary. we worked, we brought over 500 people to the Registration office and got 328 persons Registered. The books were not open in June in our County. In July we had three days only to Register, we were able to register 113 persons. Now in August we again have 15 days. we have worked and planned for these days, we have mailed out over a thousand letters to our members, we have had to pay a Secretary to help, we have circulars ready to be put out this Saturday uptown when over 3000 negroes will be on the streets. I hope this gives you an idea why we think a more flexible system of receiving the money would greatly help us.

In Williamsburg County we dont want money for Food or drinks or Gas or Radio time (which is free) - we want workers to help us get Registered. The $50.00 petty cash check Dr Beck sent us has not been cashed, as we voted to hold it untill He calls an Executive Committee meeting and we find out what is going on.

But, be it as it may, we will continue to work on Registration in our County. I flatly predict that we will send the first negro to the Senate and House in Columbia from Williamsburg County. We are going to open up these factories to our people and truly make our County a better place in which to live - So Help us God!

Sincerely yours

Virgil Duncan

Mrs Alice Spearman and Mr S. S. James of the South Carolina Council on Human Relations will vouch for the work being done in our County. OKD

August 11, 1964

Dr. R. N. Beck
403 N. Dargan Street
Florence, South Carolina

RE: VEP 4-12

Dear Dr. Beck:

I would be interested in knowing whether or not the complaint of Mr. Virgil Dimery was ever adjusted. If you feel that this man honestly invested his own money in the VEP program and can support his expenditures to your satisfaction, then we would have no objection of your congressional district making the reimbursement to him, but with the understanding that he will have to follow your prescribed procedure in the future.

I am not sending him a copy of this letter, and I want you to understand that this is something we leave entirely up to you and the Sixth Congressional District.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:bs

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AUG 24 1964

403 North Dargan Street
Florence, South Carolina
August 22, 1964

Fiscal Assistant
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street, N.W., Room 206
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Sir:

We received our first allotment check in May and would like to request our second check.

We would like to apportion the money among the counties now so that it may be used for an all-out registration campaign during the month ahead,

There is about $100 remaining in the account from the last check, and we expect to use this money within the next week.

Thanking you,

Yours very truly,

R.N. Beck, Chairman
Sixth Congressional District
Voter Education Project

August 24, 1964

Dr. R. H. Beck, Chairman
Sixth Congressional District VEP
403 North Dargan Street
Florence, South Carolina

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RE: VEP 4-22

Dear Dr. Beck:

It was not until the arrival of your letter this morning that I discovered that we had not sent you but one installment of your grant, and apologize for the oversight. I enclose herein our VEP check in the amount of $2,000 representing payment of the second installment.

Your final installment of $2,000 will be sent to you at such time as you indicated a need for it.

Let me take this opportunity to commend you for the excellent leadership which you are providing for the Voter Education Project in the Sixth Congressional District, and for the manner in which you send financial and progress reports. I look forward to seeing you Thursday night at the meeting in Columbia.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:js

Encl: $2,000 check

WB

August 31, 1964

Mr. Virgil Dimery
Dimery-Rogers-Funeral Home
601 East Main Street
Kingstree, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Dimery:

I am returning to you the letters and records which you were kind enough to send me on July 26 following your dispute with Dr. Beck.

It appears that you and your co-workers have been doing some excellent work in Kingstree, and I wish to commend all of you. I trust that you have adjusted your difficulty with Dr. Beck.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:bs

Encls: Letters and records

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SEP 22 1964

501 Ingram Street
Florence, South Carolina
September 20,1964

Mr. Wiley Branton, Director
Voter Education Project
Room 206
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton:

I am requesting our final two thousand dollars ($ 2,000.00) allotment check.

Enclosed are two clippings -one , a front page clipping- from our local paper in reference to voter registration. Fifty per cent of these ~~were~~ was ~~Negroes~~ Negro.

We are planning to have voter clinics in each county to assist in getting out the voters. If you wish to provide a supplemental budget to help with this, it will be appreciated.

Thank you very much.

Yours truly,

R. N. Beck, M.D.

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Registration Applicants Form Lines

Voter registration certificates were issued to more than 200 persons Thursday by Florence County voter registrars as the deadline neared for qualifying to vote in the November General Election.

Registration officials in the Florence County Courthouse reported that lines formed throughout the day as 204 voting certificates were issued.

Registration books were also open in Lake City. Lake City totals were not immediately available, but county officials said the number issued there should be sufficient to push the county total to well above the 200 mark.

Registration books will be open today in the county commissioner's office in the county courthouse from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and at the Lake City Town Hall from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

On Saturday, the number of registrars in the commissioner's office will be increased from the normal two to four to handle the anticipated last-minute rush. Also on Saturday, books will be open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (Customarily, the office is closed at 1 p.m. on Saturday.)

Present plans call for keeping registration books open only two additional days after Saturday. Dates and places for the two additional registration days are: Scranton Town Hall — Sept. 22, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Coward Town Hall — Sept. 23, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

In addition to the 204 new voter registration certificates issued Thursday registrars in the county courthouse issued approximately 20 transfers to voters who have moved into the county from other areas.

The Thursday total compares to approximately 125 certificates issued on Wednesday and approximately 225 issued on Monday and Tuesday.

Registration officials pointed out that a "yellow" voting certificate, valid for the ten-year registration period beginning in 1958, will be required to vote in the November General Election.

To register, a person must be 21 years old and a resident of the state for one year, of the county for six months and of the precinct for three months.

County Gets 1,000 Voters On Last Day

Saturday was a bumper day for registering new voters, the Florence County board of voter registration reported.

During the day, some 1,000 persons were processed and of that number, 533 were new voter registrations — persons who had never registered before.

The balance of the persons processed were either transfers from other counties, precincts within the county or transfers from other states.

Three additional clerical helpers were on duty Saturday morning and two were on the work force during the afternoon.

Registration officials said this year has been one of the "most active" years in voter registrations that they can recall.

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September 23, 1964

Dr. R. N. Beck, Chairman
403 North Dargan Street
Florence, South Carolina

RE: VEP 4-12

Dear Dr. Beck:

In accordance with your request of September 20, 1964, I enclose herein our VEP check in the amount of $2000 representing payment in full of the third and final installment of your $6,000 grant for the Sixth Congressional District of South Carolina.

I want you to know how much we appreciate the business-like manner in which you handled all of your matters with this office.

With kind personal regards.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:js
Encl: $2000 check

12.26-64

FINANCIAL

December 2, 1964

Dr. R. N. Beck
403 North Dargan Street
Florence, South Carolina

RE: VEP 4-12

Dear Dr. Beck:

It appears that your organization has on hand approximately $755.89 from the grants made to the Sixth Congressional District Voter Education Project. We are in the process of closing all financial accounts, and we have generally required each agency to refund the unused portion of their grants.

Because of the splendid cooperation which you have shown to VEP, and the careful manner in which you have expended your funds, I thought I would check to see if you had any immediate plans for registration for which you could make meaningful use of the funds on hand. If so, then we could permit you to retain the funds, provided they would be spent within the next 60 days; otherwise, we would have to request the refund of the unused portion of the grant, although we might very well spend this money through your statewide program. Please let me hear from you at your earliest convenience.

With kind personal regards.

Very truly yours,

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Bal. now 633.42

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:js

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403 North Dargan Street
Florence, South Carolina
December 17, 1964

Mr. Wiley A. Branton, Fiscal Agent
Voter Education Project
Room 206
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton:

I received your letter concerning the amount of money on hand from the grants made to the Sixth Congressional District Voter Education Project.

I would like to give the money to the two counties (Marlboro and Marion) that have not received their allotments.

I hope that you will extend the grant so that I can give the counties more time to supply us with vouchers and receipts verifying Voter Education Project use.

Yours truly,

R. N. Beck, Chairman
Sixth Congressional District
Voter Education Project

RNB/jt

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

SIXTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT OF
SOUTH CAROLINA

PROPOSED BUDGET, 1964

Period: April, May, and June, 1964

	Per Month	Period
1. Two Area Chairmen	$400.00	$1200.00
2. Stipend for 9 County Chairmen @ $50	450.00	1350.00
3. Salaries for 2 secretaries and clerks	425.00	1275.00
4. Fee for helpers at County Registration Office during registration periods (2)	150.00	300.00
5. Rent, fixtures and maintenance for 2 offices	150.00	450.00
6. Supplies and stamps (2 offices and director)	150.00	300.00
7. Telephones for 2 officers, director, and 9 County Chairmen @ $5	60.00	180.00
8. Publicity, Educational projects and miscellaneous expenses for all levels (9 counties @ $35)	315.00	945.00
9. All official travel	400.00	1200.00
TOTAL	$2500.00	$7200.00

Re-statement:

1. For April, May and June $7,200.00
2. For July to December ($1,000 per mo.) 6,000.00

GRAND TOTAL $13,200.00

VEP 4-12

WB

M E M O R A N D U M January 6, 1965

TO: Wiley A. Branton
FROM: Jean Levine
RE: ~~Final~~ Report on Accounting of VEP 4-12
(6th Congressional District VEP)

Grant: $6000.00

Disbursements:

Adv. Print. & Prom.	$469.23	
Fix. & Equip.	83.90	
Office Rent	80.00	
Office Supplies	188.72	
Postage	107.41	
Salaries	3071.66	
Tel. & Tel.	20.21	
Trav. & Trans.	1345.45	5366.58

Unaccounted $ 633.42

The last reporting from this project was check #0458.

4/19/65 Office Supplies 6.38
Salaries 127.91
Trav & Trans. 37.45

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171.74
$461.68

5-8-65 Adv. Print & Prom. 18.00
$ 443.68

5-8-65 Salaries 30.00
Trav + Tran. 70.00

100.00
$ 343.68

TELEPHONES:
OFFICE MOHAWK 2-3102
RESIDENCE MOHAWK 2-3013

R. N. BECK, M.D.
403 NORTH DARGAN STREET
FLORENCE, S. C.

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March 13, 1964

Mr. Randolph T. Blackwell, Director
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth St., N.W. Room 206
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Blackwell:

I am sending you questionnaires answered by four of the nine counties in the Sixth Congressional District. The other counties are in the process of re-organization. I will send them as soon as they come in.

Yours truly,

R.N. Beck

R.N. Beck

Dear Congressional District Chairman:

We are in the process of considering registration work in the Counties of your Congressional District. In addition to the information which we have before us, will you please supply answers to the following questions?

Your speedy action in this regard will be very highly appreciated.

Yours truly,

Randolph T. Blackwell

Congressional District — Sixth

County — Marion

State briefly the history of registration among Negro people in your county from August, 1963 to February, 1964.

Negroes have been registering for the past 10 years in this county, and they have an effective county organization. There has been no more activity during this August, 1963 to February, 1964 period than in previous years.

List the names and addresses of county officers.

Chairman	Secretary	Treasurer
Mr. James A. Hodge Rte. 2, Box 70 Mullins, S.C. 464-7112	Mr. Robert Lee Roberts Church St, Mullins, S.C.	Mr. B.H. Hodge Rte. 2, Box 224 Mullins, S.C.

List the names and addresses of precinct and ward leaders.

VEP 4-12

North Marion

Marvin Gurley, Chairman
Rte. 1
Marion, S.C.

Britton's Neck

Commodore Williams
Rte. 2
Gresham, S.C.

South Marion

W.E. Gibson, Chairman
216 Dixon St.
Marion, S.C.

Centenary

Ben Steverson, Chairman
Rte. 3
Marion, S.C.

Cedar Grove

Edmond Jones, Chairman
Pee Dee, S.C.

Friendship

Alfonza Davis
Rte. 2
Gresham, S.C.

East Mullins

Cleo Samuels, Chairman
220 S. Mullins St.
Mullins, S.C.

Nichols

James Tart, Chairman
Rte. 1
Nichols, S.C.

Todd

Hayward Wingate
Rte. 3
Mullins, S.C.

West Mullins

Rev. Samuel Philips, Chairman
209 Seaboard Ave.
Mullins, S.C.

Sellers

Charlie Wilson, Chairman
Sellers, S.C.

Zion

Robert Grant
Rte. 3
Mullins, S.C.

1. What is the attitude of the registrar's office toward Negro registration? If that attitude is hostile, specify what actions are taken by registrar personnel manifesting this hostility?

Affable (The fault lies in the Negro himself.)

2. Detail any harassment or intimidation of registrants or registration workers by public officials.

None

3. If there have been overt indications of resistance on the part of the white community in general to Negro registration specify what specific form this resistance has taken.

None

4. What reasons are given by people who refuse to participate as prospective registrants in the registration program?

Indifference - We need workers to make personal contact.

Dear Congressional District Chairman:

We are in the process of considering registration work in the Counties of your Congressional District. In addition to the information which we have before us, will you please supply answers to the following questions?

Your speedy action in this regard will be very highly appreciated.

Yours truly,

Randolph T. Blackwell

Congressional District _ Sixth

County _ Georgetown

State briefly the history of registration among Negro people in your county from August, 1963 to February, 1964.

The Negroes in this county have always been interested in registering and voting. The registration for this period is just about the same as for any other period. They comprise 44% of the total number of registered voters in the county.

"Negroes control six of the precincts and elected 8 executive Committeemen last month. We are sending 2 delegates to the State Democratic Convention. This is the most organized County, politically, in the State of South Carolina"

List the names and addresses of county officers.

Mr. Alex Alford , Chairman
Harriman Rd.
Georgetown, S.C.

Mrs. Ida Bell Singleton, Sec.
c/o Mr. Alex Alford
Georgetown, S.C.

List the names and addresses of precinct and ward leaders.

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(First name is chairman, second is vice-chairman, third is secretary. If there is a fourth name, that is the name of the treasurer.)

City I

Sam Hudson
Marcus Richardson
Walter Fraser

II

Alex Alford
Mingo Spann
Ida Bell Singleton

III

Samuel Campbell
English Dentley
Walter Gaillard

IV

Rev. B. Frost
Alford Barrentine
Louise Pinckney

V

All White

VI

All White

Snow Mill

Rev. Lawrence LeSeine
Frank Vanderhorst
Annie Lawrence

Santee

Henry Moultrie
Willie Kennedy
Julia Anderson
Don Livingstone

Chopes

Rev. Daniel Guiles
James Richards
Viola Lawrence
James Green

Maryville

Andrew Brown
Thomas Campbell
Pearlene Prown
Sadie Haynes

Pennyroyal

Joe Evans
Willie Grant
Dorothy Moultrie
Henry Grant

Pawley's Island

Harmen Brown
Buster Washington
Betty Murray
John Dennison

Plantersville, S.C.

Eddie Morant
Fred Ford, Sr.
Arthur Morant
Cephus Dennison

Griers

Noah Davis
Rev. Larry Moore
Mary Sumter
Rose Curry

Sampit

William Green
Ross Stafford
David Wragg
Juanita Rhue

Pleasant Hill

Aziller Mention
Amos Mention
Willie Harrison

Polly Grove

Allen Walker
James Gray
Ben Tiller

Andrews, S.C.

Filmore Grant
William Brown
Calvin J. Alford

Spring Gulley

Isaiah King
Willie Hemmingway
Pearlie Mae Green
Florie Anderson

Murrells Inlet

Prince Washington
M.I. Tucker
Francis Pigatt
Louise Tucker

1. What is the attitude of the registrar's office toward Negro registration? If that attitude is hostile, specify what actions are taken by registrar personnel manifesting this hostility?

Favorable

2. Detail any harassment or intimidation of registrants or registration workers by public officials.

None

3. If there have been overt indications of resistance on the part of the white community in general to Negro registration specify what specific form this resistance has taken.

None

4. What reasons are given by people who refuse to participate as prospective registrants in the registration program?

Indifference - these people need training and education.

Dear Congressional District Chairman:

We are in the process of considering registration work in the Counties of your Congressional District. In addition to the information which we have before us, will you please supply answers to the following questions?

Your speedy action in this regard will be very highly appreciated.

Yours truly,

Randolph T. Blackwell

Congressional District _ Sixth

County _ Florence

State briefly the history of registration among Negro people in your county from August, 1963 to February, 1964.

From August, 1963 to February, 1964, we have had approximately 100 or more Negroes to register. There is a total of 3,600 Negroes registered on the books.

Negroes from Florence County have taken part in the integrated city precinct organization and we have succeeded in getting a Negro secretary-treasurer in a predominantly white precinct. We were able to send 25 delegates to the county convention, but did not get any to the state convention.

Voter registration efforts have been carried on by the National Council of Negro Women, The Florence Committee on Negro Affairs, sororities, fraternities, and other interested organizations, as well as Core

List the names and addresses of county officers.

Chairman	Secretary	Treasurer
Mr. Jonas Deas	Mrs. Ella Purvis	Mr. Frank White
512 S. Kemp St.	800 Block Walnut St.	523 Johns St.
Florence, S.C.	Florence, S.C.	Florence, S.C.

Vice Chairman, Mr. Andrew Lakin, 516 Kemp St., Florence, S.C.

Asst. Sec., Mrs. Ruby Bass

List the names and addresses of precinct and ward leaders.

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Florence I

Atty. Wm. Bennett, Chairman
Sam Broom, Vice Chair.
Mrs. Marjorie Johnson, Sec.

Florence II

Jonas Deas, Chair.
Andrew Lakin, Vice Chair.
Ella Purvis, Sec.
Ruby Bass, Asst. Sec.
Frank White, Treas.

Florence III

Edward Thomas, Chair.
Edmond Smoot, Vice Chair.
Rogers Dimery, Sec.
Andrew Huggins, Treas.

Coward

Raymond Henneghan, Chair.
Lavern Hall, Vice Chair.
Blanche Hall, Sec.
Mallie Henneghan, Rec. Sec.
Calvin Robinson, Treas.

Tans Bay (Effingham)

Rev. C.C. Staten, Chair.
Walter Benjamin, Vice Chair.
Joshua Herbert, Sec.
Edith Johnson, Treas.

Timmonsville

Lawrence Howard, Chair.
Rve. J.C. McTeer, Vice Chair.
Willie Wright, Sec.
Bud Shield, Asst. Sec.
Maxie Groo,s, Treas.

Pamplico

L.E. Hyman, Chair.
John Henry Gibbs, Vice Chair.
Mrs. Evelyn Eddie, Sec.
Ben Graham, Treas.

Friendfield

John Gary, Chairman

Johnsonville

Chester Boatwright, Chairman

Lake City

Walter Scott, Chairman
Naomi Timmons, Sec.
Rev. T.L. Thomas, Treas,

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Favorable

2. Detail any harassment or intimidation of registrants or registration workers by public officials.

None

3. If there have been overt indications of resistance on the part of the white community in general to Negro registration specify what specific form this resistance has taken.

None

4. What reasons are given by people who refuse to participate as prospective registrants in the registration program?

Indifference. We need workers to educate the people.

Dear Congressional District Chairman:

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Your speedy action in this regard will be very highly appreciated.

Yours truly,

Randolph T. Blackwell

Congressional District — Sixth

County — Williamsburg

State briefly the history of registration among Negro people in your county from August, 1963 to February, 1964.

This county has only 800 registered voters (Negroes) because of a very slow start. Court action had to be taken to secure voting rights for Negroes. 66.5% of the population in this county is Negro.

List the names and addresses of county officers.

President	Vice President	Secretary
Rev. S.A. Gadsden Box 331 Kingstree, S.C.	E.D. Lawrence	Johnnie Dimery c/o Dimery Funeral Home Kingstree, S.C.

Treasurer, Rev. P.B. Rogers

List the names and addresses of precinct and ward leaders.

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Greeleyville

William July
Gabe Johnson
Purvis Easley
Rev. P.B. Rogers
Rev. Louis Mouzon
Burley Joe

Trio

Mrs. Bay Bennett
Solomon Mitchum
Mrs. Evelyn Finch
S.L. Finch

Salters

Rev. W. Jenkins
Anzett McFadden
Lawrence McGee
E.D. Lawrence
Ed. Lawrence

Nesmith

E.D. Nesmith
Willie Chandler
Eugene Wilson
Phillip Nesmith
William Morris
Mrs. Genie Cunningham

Cades

Rev. James Wilson
James McLeod
Joe Cooper
Bruce Adams
Frank Boyd
Peter Dicks

St. Mark

Thomas Pinkney, Jr.
E.J. McGill
Mrs. Fannie Julious

Kingstree I

Rev. S.A. Gadsden
Lawrence McFarlin
Whitimore Conyers
Rev. W.H. Barnes

Kingstree II

Jessie Lawrence
Dr. C.F. Stephens
Johnnie Dimery
Rev. Eugene Burroughs
Calvin Barr

Hemmingway

Joe Selph
Ora Dorsey
Furman Dimery
Rev. B.J. Bradley
Mrs. Rosa Gordon

Morrisville & Andrews

Melvin Snow
Amos Dickerson
Eddie Dickerson
Mrs. Minnie Miller

Lane

Rev. Willie Mack
Oraner Bynum
David Brockington
Ralph Brunson
Rev. C.S.J. Mollette
G.W. Sabb

St. Mary (Broad Swamp)

Peter J. Reddin
Winters Fulton
Rev. J. Alva Wilson
James Burgess
Puddy McFaddin
Mrs. Maggie Glassco

Black River

Jeffery Carolina
William Scott
Paul Murray
Richard Driffin
Paul Chatman

Johnsonville
(Wmsb Co.)

Rev. M.C. Cooper
Mrs. Julia Brown
Joseph Rogers
Richard R. Davis

Bloomingville

Ransom Scott
Geneva Scott
Van Right Scott

Cedar Swamp

John L. Tisdale
Mrs. Minnie Tisd.
E.J. Burroughs
Mrs. Ruth Lowery
Mose James
Nathan Brown

1. What is the attitude of the registrar's office toward Negro registration? If that attitude is hostile, specify what actions are taken by registrar personnel manifesting this hostility?

Favorable at present.

2. Detail any harassment or intimidation of registrants or registration workers by public officials.

None at present.

3. If there have been overt indications of resistance on the part of the white community in general to Negro registration specify what specific form this resistance has taken.

A court or civil action was necessary some time ago to counterattack this resistance, but at present it has been cleared up.

4. What reasons are given by people who refuse to participate as prospective registrants in the registration program?

Same as for all Negroes; indifference

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RTB

3/16/64

Mrs. Blackwell,

This is the report of Dr. Beck who could not attend the meeting of 3/4/64 at Trinity Church. I have heard nothing from any of the others. But I believe that all were turned in except Dist #1 and Rev. McCollum promised to mail his directly.

Thanks

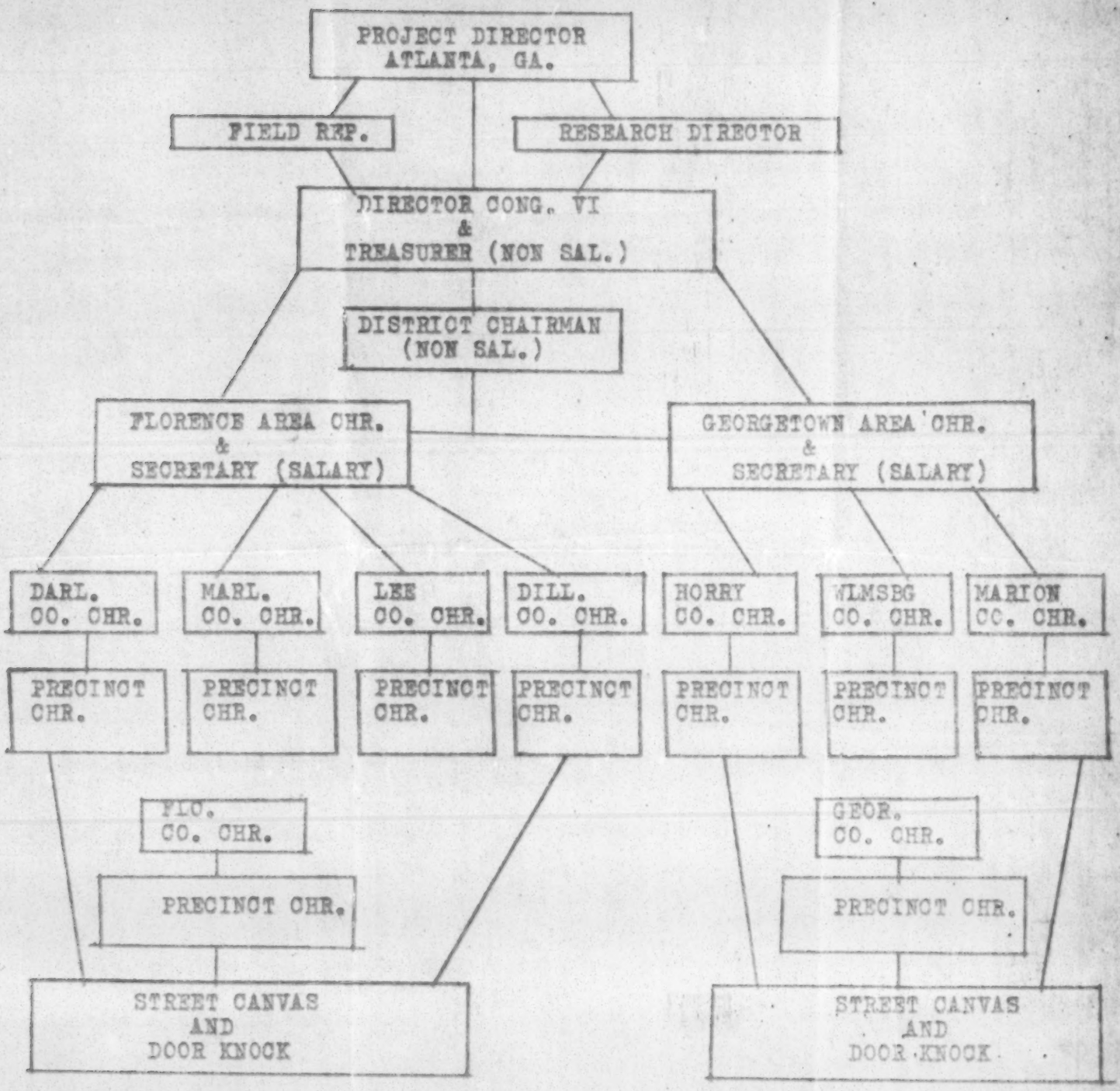
Charles

VEB 4-12

SOUTH CAROLINA VOTER REGISTRATION PROJECT

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT #6

ORGANIZATIONAL PLAN



O/S
C.H.F.Jr.
Orangeburg S.C.

COUNTY CHAIRMEN AND SECRETARIES

SIXTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

COUNTY	CHAIRMAN	SECRETARY
FLORENCE	Mr. Jonas Deas 512 S. Kemp St. Florence, S.C.	Mrs. Ella Purvis 800 Block Walnut St. Florence, S.C.
HORRY	Dr. P.C. Kelly Conway, S.C. 249-3841	Rev. Rufus Daniels c/o Friendship Baptist Church Conway, S.C.
MARLBORO	Mr. Eddie McLeod King Street Bennettsville, S.C.	Atty. F.E. Cain Market St. Bennettsville, S.C.
GEORGETOWN	Mr. Alex Alford Merriman Rd. Georgetown, S.C.	Mrs. Ida Bell Singleton c/o Mr. Alex Alford Georgetown, S.C.
LEE	Mr. Henry Isaac General Delivery Elliot, S.C.	Mr. William Dannerly 527 Church St. Bishopville, S.C.
DARLINGTON	Mr. W.J. Hunter 671½ S. Main St. Darlington, S.C.	Mr. A.W. Stanley 1004 S. Main St. Darlington, S.C.
DILLON	Mr. H.B. Blackwell Little Rock, S.C.	Rev. J.W. Robinson Dillon, S.C.
MARION	Mr. James A. Hodges Rte. 2, Box 70 Mullins, S.C. 464-7112	Robert Lee Roberts Church St. Mullins, S.C.
WILLIAMSBURG	Rev. S.A. Gadsen Box 331 Knigstree, S.C.	Mr. Johnnie Dimery c/o Dimery Funeral Home Kingstree, S.C.

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6th Cong. Dist.

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

FORM VEP-2

Period covered

Care — ORGANIZATION

F. Robinson + E. Brown — PERSON REPORTING

From April 1st to 30th

12 Robinson St. — STREET ADDRESS

Darlington — CITY

S.C. — COUNTY STATE

Date Submitted: 4-23-64

Election District to which this report applies _____

Day of the month:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31
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No* instructed at other places (specify place																															
No* applying for registration as a result of this program																															
No* successfully registered by this project					41	37	26	8	18																						142
No* denied registration in this project																															

*Persons of voting age

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CORE — ORGANIZATION

F. Robinson + E. Brown — PERSON REPORTING

From 4-1st to 30th

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17 Robinson St. — STREET ADDRESS

Dillon S.C. — CITY COUNTY STATE

Date Submitted: 4-23-64

Election District to which this report applies _____

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PERSON REPORTING

From April 1st to 30th

17 Robinson St.
STREET ADDRESS

Florence S.C.
CITY COUNTY STATE

Date Submitted: 4-23-64

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Care — ORGANIZATION

F. Robinson + E. Brown — PERSON REPORTING

From April 1st to 30th

12 Robinson St. — STREET ADDRESS

Georgetown, S.C — CITY COUNTY STATE

Date Submitted: 4-23-64

Election District to which this report applies _____

Day of the month:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31
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No* denied registration in this project																															

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*Persons of voting age

APR 29 1964

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Care — ORGANIZATION

F. Robinson + E. Brown — PERSON REPORTING

From April 1st to 30th

12 Robinson St. — STREET ADDRESS

Mary, S.C. — CITY, COUNTY, STATE

Date Submitted: 4-23-64

Election District to which this report applies _____

Day of the month:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	
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Care — ORGANIZATION

J. Robinson + E. Brown — PERSON REPORTING

From 4-1st to 30th

17 Robinson St. — STREET ADDRESS

Sec, S.C. — CITY, COUNTY, STATE

Date Submitted: 4-23-64

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Clere
ORGANIZATION

J. B Robinson + E Brown
PERSON REPORTING

From April 1st to 30th

12 Robinson St.
STREET ADDRESS

Marion, S. C.
CITY COUNTY STATE

Date Submitted: 4-23-64

Election District to which this report applies _____

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Core — ORGANIZATION

F. Robinson + E. Brown — PERSON REPORTING

From 4-1st to 30th

12 Robinson St. — STREET ADDRESS

Marlboro, S.C. — CITY COUNTY STATE

Date Submitted: 4-23-64

Election District to which this report applies _____

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No* successfully registered by this project					18	11	9																									38
No* denied registration in this project																																

*Persons of voting age

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

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Period covered

Core — ORGANIZATION

L. Robinson + E Brown — PERSON REPORTING

From April 1st to 30th

APR 29 1964

17 Robinson St. — STREET ADDRESS

Williamsburg — CITY

S.C. — COUNTY / STATE

Date Submitted: 4-23-64

Election District to which this report applies _____

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No* successfully registered by this project					49	21	36	49																								151
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Report from April 1st to 30th
Frank Robinson

We have repotts from all counties from all districts now. We have tried for sometime to get this to work. We have organized all districts and counties to respond to their district chairman. Each month we have reunited all counties to work together as one to bring about a plan to seek people interested in their work.

We also plan mass meetings in each county. Each month to report their activities and number of persons registered. Each county has their chairman; each district has a chairman each ward has captains.

I have been elected coordinator for these districts and we have completed sixteen counties.

All are nearly working 100 perfent. We have been touring each county each Sunday speaking with college students.

This has stimulated much interest. Some of our plans for the next two months is to keep persons at polls to make plans to inform persons where to register. They have a center to report to others. The summer months we are planning to find every person wecan to work. Mr. Blackman and Wiley Branton have given some of their districts. ???

There are some funds to help in this drive. Sixth district has received $1000. $1400 more in a few days.

This money is to be used only in voter registration and pay persons in working from door to door.

The district chairman keeps $100 extra for correspondence.

The district chairman receives the funds and equally distributes it among each county chairman that is working and organizing only. No chairman received funds.

We have been concentrating on places where we can double our registration. This next three months I have been speaking two and three nights for each area and on sunday.

This project for students will be each sunday on voter registration. I will complete my registration report by tommorrow. We will spend a week in the best territory, and ~~We have at present~~ visit counties as often as we can.

Yours Truly,

F.B. Robinson

4/29/64

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Care — ORGANIZATION

F. Robinson + E. Brown — PERSON REPORTING

From 4 th to 9 th

17 Robinson St. — STREET ADDRESS

Hearyetown, S.C. — CITY COUNTY STATE

Date Submitted: 5-14-64

Election District to which this report applies _____

Day of the month:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	
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No* applying for registration as a result of this program																																
No* successfully registered by this project			31	41	4	66	49	62																								TOTAL 200
No* denied registration in this project																																

*Persons of voting age

4/29/64

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Cor — ORGANIZATION

F Robinson & E. Brown — PERSON REPORTING

From 4th to 9th

17 Robinson St. — STREET ADDRESS

Williamsburg, S.C. — CITY COUNTY STATE

Date Submitted: 5-14-64

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No* successfully registered by this project			41	30	29	28	26																									Total 149
No* denied registration in this project																																

*Persons of voting age

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Core — ORGANIZATION

F. Robinson + E. Brown — PERSON REPORTING

From 4th to 9th

17 Robinson St. — STREET ADDRESS

Mulberry S.C. — CITY COUNTY STATE

Date Submitted: 5-14-64

Election District to which this report applies _____

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No* successfully registered by this project			14	10	22																											46
No* denied registration in this project																																

*Persons of voting age

4/29/64

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Period covered

Cen	A. Robinson + E. Brown	From 4th to 9th
ORGANIZATION	PERSON REPORTING	
12 Robinson St.	Marion, S. C.	Date Submitted: 5-14-64
STREET ADDRESS	CITY COUNTY STATE	

Election District to which bhis report applies _____

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No* denied registration in this project																																

*Persons of voting age

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

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Period covered

Cou — ORGANIZATION

F. Robinson + E. Brown — PERSON REPORTING

From 4th to 9th

17 Robinson St. — STREET ADDRESS

Sec, S.C. — CITY COUNTY STATE

Date Submitted: 5-14-64

Election District to which this report applies _____

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No* applying for registration as a result of this program																																
No* successfully registered by this project			9	14	18	17	9																									67
No* denied registration in this project																																

*Persons of voting age

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Period covered

Core — ORGANIZATION

F. Robinson & E. Brown — PERSON REPORTING

From 4 to 9

4/29/64

12 Robinson St. — STREET ADDRESS

Florence, S.C. — CITY COUNTY STATE

Date Submitted: 5-14-64

Election District to which this report applies _____

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No* successfully registered by this project			46	31	48	27	31	26																							48	
No* denied registration in this project																																

TOTAL 257

*Persons of voting age

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Period covered

4/29/64

Care
ORGANIZATION

F. Robinson + E. Brown
PERSON REPORTING

From 1st to 9th

12 Robinson St.
STREET ADDRESS

Dillon, S.C.
CITY COUNTY STATE

Date Submitted: 5-14-64

Election District to which this report applies _____

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No* successfully registered by this project			12	16	10	30																										68
No* denied registration in this project																																

*Persons of voting age

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FORM VEP-2

Period covered

4/29/64

Care
ORGANIZATION

F. Robinson + E. Brown
PERSON REPORTING

From 4th to 9th

17 Robinson St.
STREET ADDRESS

Sharp, S.C.
CITY COUNTY STATE

Date Submitted: 5-14-64

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No* denied registration in this project																																

*Persons of voting age

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Core
ORGANIZATION

F. Robinson + E. Brown
PERSON REPORTING

Period covered From 4 to 9

4/29/64

12 Robinson St.
STREET ADDRESS

Darlington S. C.
CITY COUNTY STATE

Date Submitted: 5-14-64

Election District to which this report applies _____

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No* applying for registration as a result of this program																																
No* successfully registered by this project			29	19	28	42	21	34																								Total 173
No* denied registration in this project																																

*Persons of voting age

4/29/64

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

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Period covered

Cove — ORGANIZATION

F. Robinson + E Braun — PERSON REPORTING

From 4th to 9th

17 Robinson St. — STREET ADDRESS

Cherokee — CITY

S. C. — COUNTY STATE

Date Submitted: 5-14-64

Election District to which this report applies _____

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No* denied registration in this project																																

*Persons of voting age

Date rec'd wash

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RADIO ANNOUNCEMENT

MADE OVER STATION WYNN

May, 1964 (14 Spots)

We expect 35,000 additional registered voters this week in Florence and the other eight counties of the Sixth Congressional District.

Please register today, Thursday, and Friday of this week.

Sponsored by the Sixth Congressional District
Voter Education Project

4-12

6th Cong. Dist. of S.C.

Rec'd July 8, 1964

WD
JTV
JMV
JSV

NUMBER OF NEGROES REGISTERED BY COUNTIES
MAY, 1964

DILLON	234
GEORGETOWN	128
HORRY	309
WILLIAMSBURG	314
LEE	12
FLORENCE	205
DARLINGTON	16
MARION	159
MARLBORO	~~Report Incomplete~~
TOTAL	1,377

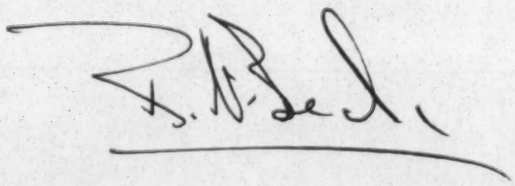
VEP 4-12

SIXTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Total Registrants for May, 1964

1,015

Georgetown and Dillon Counties are not included



COUNTY CHAIRMEN AND SECRETARIES

SIXTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

COUNTY	CHAIRMAN	SECRETARY
FLORENCE	Mr. Jonas Deas 512 S. Kemp St. Florence, S.C.	Rev. Edward Thomas 701 N. McQueen St. Florence, S.C.
HORRY	Dr. P.C. Kelly Conway, S.C. 249-8841	Rev. Rufus Daniels C/O Friendship Baptist Church Conway, S.C.
MARLBORO	Atty. F.E. Cain 203 W. Market St. Bennettsville, S.C.	Mr. Eddie McLeod King Street Bennettsville, S.C.
GEORGETOWN	Mr. Alex Alford Merriman Road Georgetown, S.C.	Mrs. Ida Bell Singleton C/O MR. Alex Alford Georgetown, S.C.
LEE	Mr. Henry Isaac General Delivery Elliot, S.C.	Mr. William Dannerly 527 Church St. Bishopville, S.C.
DARLINGTON	Mr. S.T. Graham Rte. 3, Box 234 Hartsville, S.C.	Mr. A.W. Stanley 1004 S. Main St. Darlington, S.C.
DILLON.	Rev. J.W. Robinson 202 W. Jackson St. Dillon, S.C.	Miss. A.B. Rowell 407 N. 11th. Ave. Dillon, S.C.
MARION	Mr. James A. Hodges Rte. 2, Box 70 Mullins, S.C. 464-7112	Mr. Robert Lee Roberts Church St. Mullins, S.C.
WILLIAMSBURG	Rev. S.A. Gadsden 319 W. Main St. Kingstree, S.C.	Mr. Johnnie Dimery Box 331 Kingstree, S.C.

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17 Robinson St.
Sumter, S. C.
June 2, 1964

Dear Mrs. Whitaker,

We have completed our drive to get each county to give us more help and to establish a well organize group to work after we leave. We still face with a problem in each community as to leader ship. This is dying out now.

We are all so face with problems and fair. Mr. Blackman did an excellent job, when he came to South Carolina and met with all leaders.

6-2-64

They all agreed to get to work in organizing locaty; that is in the future, we all will benifit by it. If we can keep these persons interest we will meet more often.

I think the most of our problems will end, and hoping that the next report will be double in number of registrations.

Yours Truly,
Frank Robinson

JUN 5 - 1964

17 Robinson ST
Sumter, S.C.
6-27-64

Dear Mrs. Whitaker:

I have sent a copy to the national office, so they can get them to you on the 10th of each month. If you have not received them I will be happy to send you a copy. Likewise the national office only send me a certain number of blanks each month. To report from nineteen counties, if you would like a report from each county in a letter form, I will send them to you on request from the National office to let me send them to you. I have been requested to send them to J. T. McCain to Core office by the 6th of each month, so they can get them to you. Please inform me as to your acceptance of a letter form giving in detail, the County Report and activities

Respectfully
Frank Robinson

Report 6-22-64

Report from Sumter Voter Registration Office.

We have visited the places, where it's more difficult to register. For the past 60 day's in these area's you have as many that can't get in, as those registered, and also quite a number turned down for various reasons, some quite simple as to misspelled words, mispronunciation ect. Also one table for white's one for Negro. If you are registering, you still can't use the table, in some cases Negro's wait by the (20) white's come in and register before them. There is a petition between Negro's and white's. People have to wait as long as (2) or more hour's to register even with a tax receipt, some are told to come back in (60) day's if they fail in some thing.

We are visiting all over, and trying to get more people interested to work in their communities and trying to increase our registration drive to more

Than 100 per month in all Counties.
In some counties you have To drive 12
To 18 or more miles To register. It is
also important To get some one To stay
at poles all day. in many instances we find
it helps for many reasons. We find it better
To explain all features of voteing as an
educational effort To get Them To go on
Their own in each community, we find when
more people are interested you get more
followers. That is why we are consentrating
on Block Workers and reporting each month.
Block Workers will have Their own
block, with each persons name, address
and Phone No. Are They registered or not?
age of children, next age To 21, Those
who will be 20 or 21 soon, Those who
need help. We Keep in Touch with Them
and Try To get Them prepared To Vote
Teaching Them how To fill out blanks
how To qualify by paying Tax on car,

house land, Trucks, Tractors put all Together To equal $ 300.00 or more To qualify. We still realize There is a lot of fear still existing

Our main plan To visit all areas, set up block workers, Organize clubs, City and County To build more interest.

Respectfully

Frank Robinson

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: Williamsburg County Voters League

Period covered by this report: From May 1 to May 15

Person reporting Virgil Dimery

Box 331 Kingstree Williamsburg S. C.
Street Address City County State

Date submitted: June 5, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Williamsburg County

Ward, Beat, etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 200

Number instructed at home 50

Number instructed at clinics None

Number instructed other places 500 a. Specify places Churches

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 548 (May 1-15)

Number successfully registered by this project this week 314 (May 1-15)

Number denied registration by this project this week 234

a. Reason for denial Could not read or write satisfactorily

Number contacted by other means 2000

a. Specify means Personal letters and radio station announcements

Number refusing to participate Estimate-100

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 314

Number of workers in the compaign 21

Remarks

Sixth Congressional District

County Williamsburg

State briefly the history of registration among Negro people in your county from August, 1963 to February, 1964. The Williamsburg County Voters League has successfully participated in politics for the past few years. However, court action had to be taken in order to secure voting rights.

List the names and addresses of county officers

E. I. Lawrence	President	Rt. 3, Box 58, Salters, S. C.
Johnnie Dimery	Secretary	Box 331, Kingstree, S. C.
Rev. P. B. Rogers	Treas.	Rt. 1, Box 59, Salters, S. C.

List the names and addresses of precinct and ward leaders.

Virgil Dimery, Precinct and Registration Chrm.-Box 331, Kingstree, S. C.

1. What is the attitude of the registrar's office toward Negro registration? If that attitude is hostile, specify what actions are taken by registrar personnel manifesting this hostility?

Hostile until appointment of a new chairman

Stress is placed on the reading and writing a section from the South Carolina Constitution.

2. Detail any harassment or intimidation of registrants or registration workers by public officials.

None

3. If there have been overt indications of resistance on the part of the white community in general to Negro registration, specify what specific form this resistance has taken.

Inability to borrow money for family assistance

Fear of being ejected from rental property

4. What reasons are given by people who refuse to participate as prospective registrants in the registration program?

Disinterested in Negro participation in civic affairs.

Williamsburg County Voters League

Box 331, Kingstree, S.C.

Rev. S. A. Gadsden----President
E. I. Lawerence--Vice President
Johnnie Dimery---Secretary
Rev. P. B. Rogers-Treasurer

Committee Chairmen

Finance----Eddie Lawerence
Public Relations-V. Dimery
Precincts--Jessie Lawerence
Current Events--Dr. C. L. Stephens

Executive Committee

(Made up of all precinct chairmen, Heads of Standing Committee: and Officers of General Organization and Precincts, secretaries and treasurers.)

Greelayville

William July
Gobe Johnson
Pirvis Easley
Rev. P. B. Rogers
Rev. Louis Mouzon
Burley Joe

Two

Mrs. Bay Bennett
Solomon Mitchurn
Mrs. Evelyn Finch
S. L. Finch

Salters

Rev. W. Jenkins
Anzett McFaddin
Lawerence McGee
E. O. Lawerence
Ed. Lawerence

Nesmith

E. D. Nesmith
Willie Chandler
Eugene Wilson
Phillip Nesmith
Wm Morris
Mrs. Genie Cunningham

Cades

Rev. James Wilson
James McLeod
Joe Cooper
Bruce Adams
Frank Boyd
Peter Dicks

Kingstree I

Rev. S. A. Gadsden
King Cooper
Lawerence McFailin
Whitmore Conyers
Rev. W. H. Barne

Kingstree II

Jessie Lawerence
Dr. C. F. Stephens
Johnnie Dimery
Rev. Eugene Burrows
Calvin Barr

Hemingway

Joe Selph
Ora Dorsey
F. Dimery
Rev. B. J. Bradley
Mrs. Rosa Lee Gordon

Morrisville and Andrews

Melvin Snow
Amos Dickerson
Eddie Dickerson
Mrs. Minnie Miller

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

WILLIAMSBURG, COUNTY

Mr. E. I. Lawrence, Chairman

Total number of persons registered during May, 1964-
314

County Registration Books were open May 4, 5, and 6, 1964

June 9, 1964

The policy of Williamsburg County is to mail certificates to registrants. Therefore, we were unable to secure certificate numbers.

SIXTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

OUR GOAL 100,000 REGISTERED VOTERS

1. Precinct or Ward Number
2. Place of Voting
3. County **Williamsburg**
4. Your name, address and certificate no.

Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.
William Graham	9 Eastland Ave.	Kingstree
Ruth Rosa Lee Garden	Rte. 4, Box 226	Lake City
Penneatho Murray	210 Blakley St.	Kingstree
Mallie Nelson	200 S. Longstreet	Kingstree
Isable Randolph	Rte. 2, Box 190	Kingstree
Jannie Mae Wagoner	Rte. 2, Box 190	Kingstree
Susie Bradshaw	Rte. 2, Box 153	Greeleyville
Wilheminia Fleming	Rte. 1, Box 22-B	Hemingway
Bernetha Smith	Rte. 2, Box 100-A	Salters
Genevia Johnson	Rte. 3, Box 168½	Kingstree
Nellie Wilson	320 Longstreet	Kingstree
Annie Mae Washington	Rte. 3, Box 155	Kingstree
McKinley Weaver	Rte. 2, Box 214	Hemingway
Anna Pressley	Rte. 1, Box 56-B	Nesmith
Zenia Rivers Cooper	Rte. 2, Box 261	Kingstree
Rhoda B. Washington	Rte. 1, Box 111	Hemingway
Hattie Franklin	Rte. 1, Box 184	Salters
Inetha Brown	Rte. 4, Box 133	Lake City
Alphonso Hannah	909 Wilhereon St.	Kingstree
Rev. Eugene Burrows	117 Charles Ave.	Kingstree

SIXTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

OUR GOAL: 200,000 REGISTERED VOTERS

1. Precinct or Ward Number

2. Place of Voting

3. County **Williamsburg**

4. Your name, address and certificate no.

Name of persons you take to register.	Address	Certificate no.
Lucille Graham	Rt. 3, Box 113-A	Kingstree
Pinkey Fason	Rte. 2, Box 160	Salters
Eddie Nesmith	Rte. 1, Box 116	Lane, S. C.
Eugene Nesmith	P. O. Box 37	Trio, S. C.
Lule Nesmith	P. O. Box 37	Trio, S. C.
Amelie Fulton	Rte. 3, Box 228	Kingstree, S. C.
Phemph Graham	Rte. 3, Box 205½	Kingstree, S. C.
Ollie Mae Dunmere	Rte. 3, Box 93-A	Salters, S. C.
Acren Williams	P. O. Box 143	Greeleyville, S. C.
Jannie Williams	P. O. Box 143	Greeleyville, S. C.
Elease McDonwell	Rte. 1, Box 3-B	Kingstree, S. C.
Lillie Mae Stagglers	Rte. 1, Box 141	Salters, S. C.
Richard Fulton	P. O. Box 171	Kingstree, S. C.
Sadie Mae Rich	Rte. 1, Box 2	Nesmith, S. C.
Minole Salters	Rte. 3, Box 2	Kingstree, S. C.
Annie Smith	Rte. 1, Box 219	Greeleyville, S. C.
Florence Cooper	Rte. 1, Box 103-A	Kingstree, S. C.
Iele Pendergress	Rte. 3, Box 34	Kingstree, S. C.
Moses C. Cooper	Rte. 3, Box 196	Kingstree, S. C.
Harris McCree	Rte. 2, Box 169	Salters, S. C.
Flore V. McKnight	Rte. 4, Box 134	Lake City, S. C.

SIXTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

OUR GOAL: 100,000 REGISTERED VOTERS

1. Precinct or Ward Number

2. Place of Voting

3. County **Williamsburg**

4. Your name, address and certificate no.

Name of persons you take to register.	Address	Certificate no.
Hazel McKnight	Rte. 3, Box 196-A	Kingstree
Sharon Epps	Rte. , Box 212	Kingstree
Rosa Lee Gardon	Rte. 1, Box 176	Hemingway
Olivia B. Sanders	Rte. 1, Bow 123	Hemingway
Mary Rogers	Rte. 1, Box 148	Hemingway
Jake Wilson Jr.	General Delivery	Hemingway
Mattie Gilliard	Rte. 1, Box 65	Hemingway
Marlin W. Session	Rte. 1, Box 126-B	Hemingway
Hester White	Rte. 1, Box 143	Hemingway
Fannie Fulton	Rte. 1, Box 143-A	Hemingway
Lula Mae Chandler	General Dilivery	Hemingway
Thomas Lee Cooper	Rte. 1, Box 52	Hemingway
James Hayward	Rte. 1, Box 175	Hemingway
Mary Ellen Flagder	Rte. 1, Box 150	Hemingway
Eddie Nesmith	Rte. 1	Trio
Mary M. Cooper	Rte. 1, Box 157	Hemingway
Catherine Salph	Rte. 3, Box 337	Hemingway
Ino Vereen	Rte. 1, Box 250-B	Johnsonville
George A. Melvin	P.O. Box 133	Hemingway
Joseph Brown	Rte. 1, Box 157	Greeleyville
Viela Cunningham	Rte. 1, Box 99-A	Hemingway

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Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.
Fannie Barr	Eleanor Hieght , Apt.3	Kingstree
Annie Ruth Mitchum	605 Tomlinson St.	Kingstree
Minnie Y. Myers	121 Charles Ave.	Kingstree
Beulah Brown	126 S. Longstreet	Kingstree
Lee Chanler	Rte. 3, Box 45-A	Kingstree
Helen Johnson	920 Wilhereon Ave.	Kingstree
Charlie Johnson	" " "	Kingstree
Lewington Bradley	Rte. 2, Box 153	Greeleyville
Irene Murray	307 Blakley St.	Kingstree
Williams Small	311 Lexington Ave.	Kingstree
Ruth Felder	Rte. 1, Box 18	Kingstree
Mary L. Keels	P. O. Box 113	Greeleyville
Pearl Robinson	Rte. 1, Box 87	Greeleyville
Mary E. Keels	P. O. Box 14	Greeleyville
Olo Lee Pawson	Rte. 1, Box 64	Salters
Mabel Patrick	Rte. 1, Box 65	Salters
Sallie Mae Patrick	Rte. 1, Box 61-AA	Salters
Leah Robinson	Rte. 1, Box 81	Greeleyville
Mae Frances Keel	Rte. 1, Box 87	Greeleyville

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Name of persons you take to register.	Address	Certificate no.
Sinclair Session	P. O. Box	Hemingway
James McKnight	Rte. 1, Box 37	Hemingway
Annie Mae Whitfield	Rte. 1, Box 37	Salters
Rev. S. M. Huges, Jr.	307 Maple St.	Kingstree
Charles Cooper	Rte. 1, Box 52	Hemingway
Adam McKnight	Rte. 1, Box 52-A	Hemingway
Willa Mae Boyd	Rte. 3, Box 21	Andrew
Annie Jane Brown	Rte. 2, Box 192	Salters
Lowethel Pride	Rte. 2, Box 270-A	Kingstree
James H. Boyd	Rte. 4, Box 34	Andrew
Julia Wilson	321 S. Longstreet	Kingstree
Chester A. Stagglers	P. O. Box 453	Kingstree
Mary Boyd	Rte. 4, Box 34	Andrew
Sally Mae Blakley	Rte. 2, Box 84	Salters
James Gongers	Rte. 3, Box 234	Kingstree
Lottie G. Brunson	Rte. 1, Box 92	Lane
Edo Pressley	Rte. 1, Box 34	McSmith
William C. Shaw	Rte. 2, Box 118	Greeleyville
Daniel Smith	Rte. 2, Box 100-A	Salters
Viola McClary	P. O. Box 333	Kingstree
James Edward McDonald	General Dilivery	Lane

STATE CONGRESSIONAL DEBAUCH VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

OUR GOAL: 100,000 REGISTERED VOTERS

1. Precinct or Ward Number

2. Place of Voting

3. County Williamsburg

4. Your name, address and certificate no.

Name of persons you take to register.	Address	Certificate no.
Adwell Tisdale	Rte. 2, Box 113	Greeleyville
Georgia M. Owens	Rte. 1, Box 52	Kingstree
Ernc Parley	P. O. Box 431	Kingstree
Klease Fulton	P. O. Box 431	Kingstree
Leyernia Bush	Rte. 3, Box 289	Salters
Marie Shaw	Rte. 1, Box 37	Salters
Minnie Green	General Delivery	Hemingway
James Giles	308 Cedar St.	Kingstree
Susan Bradley	Rte. 3, Box 284	Kingstree
Charlie Dersey	P. O. Box 451	Kingstree
Linda Dersey	P. O. Box 451	Kingstree
Georgia McKnight	Rte. 1, Box 169	Hemingway
Willie McFadden	Rte. 2. Box 168-A	Cedar
Maggie Chandler	Rte. 2, Box 1[illegible]	Salters
Frediek Watson	Rte. 1, Box 68	Andrew
Elizabeth Davis	Rte. 1, Box 85	Salters
Stanley Davis	Rte. 1, Box 85	Salters
Carrie Izzard	Rte. 1, Box 109	Salters
Bruce Rich	Rte. 1, Box 2	Nesmith
Elliott Preseley, Jr.	Rte. 1, Box 72	Nesmith
Henry Ross, Jr.	P. O. Box 683	Lane

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Name of persons you take to register.	Address	Certificate no.
Emma Jane Montgomery	Rte. 1, Box	Hemingway
Luthra Barr	Rte. 1, Box 21-B	Hemingway
Nellie Epps	P. O. Box 455	Nesmith
Rosa Lee Darsey	P. O. Box 451	Kingstree
Lillie Ceard	Rte. 1, Box 22-A	Lane
Isaih Epps	Rte. 1, Box 139	Cader
Charlie Scott	Rte. 1, Box 141-B	Kingstree
Elizah White	Rte. 1, Box 227	Greeleyville
Evelyn McFadden	Rte. 1, Box 140	Salters
Wilhelmenia Williams	P. O. Box 212	Lane
Maria Davis	Rte. 1, Box 3	Kingstree
Ruth Wilson	Rte. 1, Box 4	Kingstree
Rachel A. Tisdale	Rte. 2, Box 28-A	Kingstree
Pansey L. Tisdale	Rte. 2, Box 28-A	Kingstree
Willie Montgomery	Rte. 3, Box 155	Andrew
Lewis Mayrant	P. O. Box 455	Kingstree
Mellie McFadden	Rte. 2, Box 218	Salters
Fleet Rush	Rte. 3, Box 289A	Kingstree
Freddie Shaw	Rte. 1, Box 15-a	Kingstree
Mary Graham	97 Eastland Ave.	Kingstree
James A. Tisdale	Rte. 2, Box 114	Greeleyville

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3. County **Williamsburg**

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Name of persons you take to register.	Address	Certificate no.
Mene McFadden	Rte. 2, Box 254	Kingstree
Beatrice P. Fulton	Rte. 2, Box 274	Kingstree
David L. Nelson	Rte. 2, Box 264	Kingstree
Trassie Burgess	6101 Longstreet	Kingstree
Mary A. Kennedy	Rte. 2, Box 31	Kingstree
Mary Lee Fulton	Rte. 2. Box 264	Kingstree
Flererine Burgess	Rte. 1, Box 248	Salters
Elmo Lee Montgomery	Rte. 2, Box 181	Greeleyville
Bertha McClay	Rte. 1, Box 53	Salters
Joseph Chandler	Rte. 1, Box 139	Kingstree
Jannie B. Cooper	Rte. 4, Box 139	Lake City
Ruthie Cooper	Rte. 4, Box 139	Lake City
Sadie Mae Scott	P. O. Box 291	Kingstree
Susie Scott	Rte. 1, Box 106	Kingstree
Sam Scott	Rte. 1, Box 106	Kingstree
John Stagglers	Rte. 1, Box 86	Salters
Marion L. Woods	P. O. Box 681	Lane
Nettie Brown	Rte. 2, Box 60	Greeleyville
Shirley Ruth Thomas	Rte. 1, Box 60	Cades
Beaufort Thomas	Rte. 1, Box 60	Cades
Esten Gamble	Rte. 1, Box 42-A	Salters

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OUR GOAL: [illegible] REGISTERED VOTERS

1. Precinct or Ward Number

2. Place of Voting

3. County **Williamsburg**

4. Your name, address and certificate no.

Name of persons you take to register.	Address	Certificate no.
Walter J. Fluton	926 Williams Ave.	Kingstree
Julia Gibson	Rte. 1, Box 44-A	Salters
Millie Wilson	Rte. 1, Box 58	Cades
Millie Chandler	Rte. 1, Box 231	Salters, S. C.
Bessie Lee Chandler	Rte. 1, Box 231	Salters, S. C.
Norman Wright	422 Madison Ave.	Kingstree, S. C.
Lee Fleming	Rte. 3, Box 69	Kingstree, S. C.
Dewe Lee Nesmith	Rte. 3, Box 171	Kingstree, S. C.
Willie Davis Jr.	404 Lexington Ave.	Kingstree, S. C.
Ervin Burgess	Rte. 2, Box 112	Hemingway, S. C.
Herbert Cooper	Rte. 1, Box 157	Hemingway, S. C.
Willie J. Singletary	P. O. Box 304	Hemingway, S. C.
Lillie Gibson	Rte. 1, Box 164	Hemingway, S. C.
Odesse Dorsey	Rte. 1, Box	Hemingway, S. C.
James Gillard	Rte. 1, Box 65	Hemingway, S. C.
Mattie Wilson	General Delivery	Hemingway, S. C.
Minnie Wilson	General Delivery	Hemingway, S. C.
Maggie Wilson	General Delivery	Hemingway, S. C.
M. C. Cooper	Rte. 2, Box 32-A	Johnsville, S. C.
Carolyn Paggett	Rte. 1, Box 122-A	Hemingway, S. C.

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Name of persons you take to register.	Address	Certificate no.
Edward Lee McClary	P. O. Box 469	Kingstree
Sam H. Montgomery	Rte. 2, Box 66-B	Greeleyville
Muldrew Smith	Rte. 2, Box 66-A	Greeleyville
Shirley Mae Mongomery	Rte. 2, Box 66-B	Greeleyville
Anna J. Burgess	Rte. 1, Box 56	Cades
Johnnie M. Burgess	Rte. 1, Box 56	Cades
Willie Mitchum	Rte. 1, Box 143-A	Kingstree
Ceawar Preseley	Rte. 2, Box 191-A	Kingstree
Peter McKnight	309 Eastland Ave.	Kingstree
Edward Anderson	307 Lexington Ave.	Kingstree
Benjamin Brown	Rte. 3, Box 16-A	Kingstree
Aleath Miller	Rte. 3, Box 16-A	Kingstree
Neomia W. Wilson	Rte. 3, Box 16-A	Kingstree
Adam Picks	Rte. 3, Box 195	Kingstree
Moses Singleton	P. O. Box 103	Greeleyville
Mary C. Cooper	Rte. 3, Box 219	Kingstree
Evelyn Washington	Rte. 3, Box65	Kingstree
Lucile Strong	Rte. 1, Box 31	Kingstree
Ruth Wilson	Rte. 1, Box 19	Kingstree
Robert Cooper	Rte. 2, Box 193-B	Kingstree
Mary McClary	300 Longstreet	Kingstree

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Name of persons you take to register.	Address	Certificate no.
Ruby P. Lee	Rte. 2, Box 256	Kingstree
Johnnie Mae Smith	305 Madison Ave.	Kingstree
Araleona Swinton	Rte. 2, Box 117	Salters
Ceasar Myers	Rte. 3, Box 189	Kingstree
Jessie Mae C. Myers	Rte. 3, Box 189-C	Kingstree
Etta Fulton	Rte. 2, Box 45	Kingstree
Essie Mae Graham	Rte. 3, Box 205½	Kingstree
Roosevelt Graham	Rte. Box 205½	Kingstree
Willie J. Picks	Rte. 4, Box 133	Lake City
Ethel Lee Cooper	Rte. 1, Box 2-A	Nesmith
Daisy Rich	Rte. 1, Box 2-C	Nesmith
Vernon McCree	Rte. 2, Box 260	Kingstree
Ozell Yonk	Rte. 2, Box 155-B	Kingstree
Lucile Preseley	113 N. Longstreet	Kingstree
Blendell Cooper	300 Longstreet	Kingstree
J. L. Strong	P. O. Box 454	Kingstree
Lewis Dukes	Rte. 2, Box 241-A	Kingstree
Mary Herderson	304 Short St.	Kingstree
John Williams	Rte. 3, Box 168-A	Kingstree
Ada Cooper	Rte. 4, Box 131	Lake City
Alice H. Andersen	307 Lexington Ave.	Kingstree

SIXTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

OUR GOAL: 200,000 REGISTERED VOTERS

1. Precinct or Ward Number

2. Place of Voting

3. County Willaimsburg

4. Your name, address and certificate no.

Name of persons you take to register.	Address	Certificate no.
Amos Harrison	Rte. 2, Box 101	Salters
Edna J. Burgess	Rte, 2, Box 93-A	Kingstree
Lillie Mae Harrison	Rte. 2, Box 102-A	Salters
R. P. Congers	Rte. 3, Box 245	Kingstree
Edna Giles	Rte. 2, Box 22	Salters
Margaret Ceases	Rte. 2, Box 26	Salters
Rhoda Willaims	Rte. 3, Box 10	Lane
Hemmetta Sharp	Rte. 2, Box 26	Salters
Florence V. Wood	P. O. Box 681	Kingstree
Margarite Congers	121 Charles Ave.	Kingstree
Rosanna Nelson	P. O. Box 483	Kingstree
Mary Lee Davis	Rte. 1, Box 98-D	Nesmith
Cleathhr Davis	Rte. 1, Box 174	Kingstree
John W. McCutheon	Rte. 3, Box 201	Kingstree
Daisy Mae Preseley	Rte. 1, Box 174	Kingstree
Sarah S. Wilkeen	Rte. 1, Box 11-A	Nesmith
Benajmin F. Strong	Rte. 1, Box 31	Kingstree
Retha Belle Lewis	Rte. 1, Box 123	Andrew
Ruby Burrows	Rte. 1, Box 194	Nesmith
James Lowery	Rte. 1, Box 47	Kingstree
Becker T. McClary	108 Charles Ave.	Kingstree

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OUR GOAL: 100,000 REGISTERED VOTERS

1. Precinct or Ward Number

2. Place of Voting

3. County **Williamsburg**

4. Your name, address and certificate no.

Name of persons you take to register.	Address	Certificate no.
James Moore	P. O. Box 22	Trio
Rethe McClarey	Rte. 2, Box 193	Salters
Omae C. Johnson	P. O. Box 493	Kingstree
Wilean Bradley	Rte. 1, Box 43	Salters
Ruthie Lee Bradley	Rte. 1 Box 43	Salters
Ellen Wilson	Rte. 2, Box 203	Salters
Estelle McKnight	Rte. 1, Box 145	Kingstree
Olelie Fulton	Rte. 3, Box 205-A	Kingstree
Maggie McClarey	310 Blakley St.	Kingstree
Jeff Epps	Rte. 1, Box 205-A	Kingstree
Elizabeth Fulton	613 Franklin St.	Kingstree
James Pinkey	309 Easland Ave.	Kingstree
E. Redmond	P. O. Box 427	Kingstree
Almo Powell	212 Longstreet	Kingstree
Thelma Menzon	202 S. Longstreet	Kingstree
Jannie Lee Cooper	125 Blakley St.	Kingstree
Rosa Lee Wilson	215 Blakley St.	Kingstree
Anna White	Rte. 1, Box 2	Lane, S. C.
Rosa Lee Dereef	216 Blakey St.	Kingstree
Dale Brooks	General Delivery	Lane
Pearl Pawson	Rte. 1, Box 91	Salters

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OUR GOAL [illegible]

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3. County **Williamsburg**

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Name of persons you take to register.	Address	Certificate no.
Marie Benbow	Rte. 1, Box 94-A	Salters
Ethel Lee York	Rte. 2, Box 255	Kingstree
Thernell E. Presley	Rte. 1, Box 101	Hemingway
Jannie McGill	518 Woods St.	Kingstree
Rev. Hohn Benbow	Rte. 1, Box 94-A	Salters
Bertha J. Peterson	607 E. Main St.	Kingstree
Jack Barrows Jr.	Rte. 1, Box 84	Nesmith
Willie Green	Rte. 1, Box 47-B	Salters
Olivia Alexander	Rte. 1, Box 195	Kingstree
Odessa Chandler	Rte. 3, Box 45	Kingstree
James Dukes	Rte. 2 Box 241-A	Kingstree
Elise McCray	Rte. 3, Box 17-A	Kingstree
Alphonso Brown	P. O. Box 222	Lane
Lillie York	Rte. 1, Box 171	Greelayville
Steven Green Jr.	606 Railroad Ave.	Kingstree
Salley Mae Cunningham	Rte.1, Box 3½	Kingstree
Arthur L. Wallace	Rte. 1, Box 129	Kingstree
Albert Giles	Rte. 2, Box 22	Salters
Bertha Barr	Rte. 2, Box 222-A	Kingstree
Edward Cooper	Rte. 1, Box 52	Hemingway
Almeta Lewis	P. O. Box	Hemingway

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3. County **Williamsburg**

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Name of persons you take to register.	Address	Certificate no.
Mattie Mitchum	Rte. 1, Box 145-B Kingstree	
Dore Johnson	Rte. 1, Box 144-C Kingstree	
Annie Lee Scott	Rte. 1, Box 122-A Kingstree	
Bernetha Johnson	P. O. Box 493 Kingstree	
Levern Gengers	Rte. 2, Box 236-AA Kingstree	
Marie Gengers	Rte. 2, Box 236-AA Kingstree	
Sadie M. Major	P. O. Box 225 Lane, S. C.	
Emo Cooper	Rte. 1, Box 123 Kingstree	
Ben Fulton	Rte. 3, Box 233-A Kingstree, S. C.	
Tom G. McKnight	P. O. Box 1 Cades	
Vilie Evans	Rte. 2, Box 24 Salters	
Tommy Adams	Rte. 2. Box 263 Kingstree	
Lula Mae Davis	Rte. 1, Box 190 Salters	
Frank Harden	Rte. 1, Box 62 Lane, S. C.	
Lillie Mae Wright	422 Madison Ave. Kingstree	
Don Evans	Rte. 2, Box 183 Salters	
Nathaniel McCrea	Rte. 2, Box 24 Salters	
Willie Miller	Rte. 1, Box55 Lane, S. C.	
Ellen Miller	Rte. 1, Box 291 Lane, S. C.	
Joseph N. Scott	P. O. Box 291 Kingstree	
Rev. Pennie Breuthon	P. O. Box 57 Trio, S. C.	

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: Marion County Voters Registration Project

Period covered by this report: From May 1 to June 1

Person reporting James A. Hodge

Rte. 2, Box 70 | Mullins | Marion | S. C.
Street Address | City | County | State

Date submitted: June 8, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Marion County

Ward, Beat, etc. | Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 150

Number instructed at home 50

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 175

Number successfully registered by this project this week 159

Number denied registration by this project this week 16

a. Reason for denial Failed to qualify

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate 20

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 159

Number of workers in the compaign

Remarks We have had some difficulty in securing registration numbers

Sixth Congressional District

County Marion

State briefly the history of registration among Negro people in your county from August, 1963 to February, 1964. The Marion County Voters League had no major obstacles in attempting to register voters since the 1954 Supreme Court decision.

List the names and addresses of county officers
Mr. James A. Hodge, President
Mr. Robert Lee Roberts, Secretary
Mr. B. H. Hodge, Treasurer

List the names and addresses of precinct and ward leaders.
These are listed on enclosure

1. What is the attitude of the registrar's office toward Negro registration? If that attitude is hostile, specify what actions are taken by registrar personnel manifesting this hostility?

Very cordial

2. Detail any harassment or intimidation of registrants or registration workers by public officials.

None

3. If there have been overt indications of resistance on the part of the white community in general to Negro registration, specify what specific form this resistance has taken.

None

4. What reasons are given by people who refuse to participate as prospective registrants in the registration program?

Lack of interest- no follow-up

Marion County Voters League

Mr. James A. Hodge-----President
Mr. Robert Lee Roberts-Secretary
Mr. B. H. Hodge------Treasurer

County Officers

Mr. James A. Hodge, President
Route 2, Box 70
Mullins, S. C.
Phone 464-7172

Mr. Robert L. Roberts, Secretary
Church Street
Mullins
South Carolina

Mr. B. H. Hodge, Treasurer
Route 2, Box 224
Mullins, S. C.

Names and address of precinct and ward leaders

North Marion

Marvin Gurley, Chairman
Route 1
Marion, S. C.

Cedar Grove

Edmond Jones, Chairman
Pee Dee
South Carolina

South Marion

W. E. Gibson, Chairman
216 Dixon Street
Marion, S. C.

Friendship

Alfonza Davis, Chairman
Route 2
Gresham, S. C.

Britton' Neck

Commdore Williams, Chairman
Route 2
Gresham, S. C.

Centenary

Ben Steverson, Chairman
Route 3
Marion, S. C.

East Mullins

Cleo Samuels, Chairman
220 S. Mullins St.
Mullins, S. C.

West Mullins

Rev. Samuel Philips, Chairman
209 Seaboard Avenue
Mullins, S. C.

Nichols

James Tart, Chairman
Route 1
Nichols, S. C.

Todd

Hayward Wingate, Chairman
Route 3
Mullins, S. C.

Sellers

Charlie Wilson, Chairman
Sellers
South Carolina

Zion

Robert Grant, Chairman
Route 3
Mullins, S. C.

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

MARION COUNTY

Mr. James A. Hodge, Chairman

Total number of persons registered during May, 1964-
159

County Registration Books were open May 4, 5, and 6, 1964

SIXTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

OUR GOAL: 100,000 REGISTERED VOTERS

1. Precinct or Ward Number: Friendship Precinct

2. Place of Voting: Gresham, S. C.

3. County : Marion County

4. Your name, address and certificate no.
Ch. Alfonso Davis Rte. 2 Gresham, S. C.

Name of persons you take to register.	Address	Certificate no.
Bostick, Theda	Rte.2 , Gresham	
Davis, Jessie Mae	Rte. 2 Gresham	
Davis, Luida	Rte. 2 , Gresham	
Davis, Catherine	Rte. 2 , Gresham	
Davis, Margaret	Rte. 2 , Gresham	
Davis, Richard	Rte. 2 , Gresham	
Davis, Annie Laura	Rte. 2 , Gresham	
Davis, Herbert	Rte. 2, Gresham	
Gerald, Arthur	Rte. 3 , Marion	
Gerald, Gertrude	Rte. 2 , Marion	
Hughes, Rainey	Rte. 3 , Marion	
Holmes, Isaac	Rte. 3 , Marion	
Hughes, Julia Bell	Rte 3 , Marion	
Holmes, Lottie D.	Rte. 3. Marion	
Rowell, Ransom	RTe. 2 , Gresham	
Rowell, Bernice	Rte. 2 , Gresham	
Ransom, Wellington	Rte. 3, Marion	
Ransom, Wilhelmina	Rte. 3, Marion	
Sparks, Queenie	Rte. 2 , Gresham	
Weaver, Jobie	Rte. 2 , Gresham	
Weaver, Ella G.	Rte . 2 , Gresham	

SIXTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

OUR GOAL: 100,000 REGISTERED VOTERS

1. Precinct or Ward Number : Brittons Neck Precinct

2. Place of Voting : Brittons Necks

3. County : Marion County

4. Your name, address and certificate no.
Ch. Commadore Williams, Rte. 2 , Gresham, S. C.

Name of persons you take to register.	Address	Certificate no.
Cockfield, Christion	Rte. 1 , Gresham	
Doziier, Creola	Rte. 1 , Gresham	
Dozier, Creola G.	Rte. 1 , Gresham	
Davis, Mattie B.	Rte. 1 , Gresham	
Graves, Willie	Rte. 1 , Gresham	
Gause, Annie	Rte. 1 , Gresham	
Graves, Frank	Rte. 1 , Gresham	
Graves, Mary	Rte 1 , Gresham	
Graves, Roxie	Rte 1 , Gresham	
Godbold, Ruby	Gresham	
Hemingway, Ethel Lee	Rte 1 , Gresham	
Hemingway, Isolene C.	Rte 1 , Gresham	
Hemingway, Edna F.	Rte 1 , Gresham	
Hughes, Emma R.	Rte 2 , Gresham	
Hemingway, Lizzie	Rte 1 , Gresham	
Moore, Gred, Jr.	Rte 1 , Gresham	
Moore, Fannie	Rte. 1 , Gresham	
Rogers, Saddie Mae	Rte. 1 , Gresham	
Richardson, Margaret R.	Rte. 1 ., Gresham	
Richardson , Hallie,	Rte. 2 , Gresham	
Salmon, Ella,	Rte. 2, Gresham	

SIXTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

OUR GOAL: 100,000 REGISTERED VOTERS

1. Precinct or Ward Number: South Marion Precinct

2. Place of Voting: City of Marion

3. County: Marion County

4. Your name, address and certificate no.
Ch. Rev. H. T. Richer, 628 South Main St. Marion, S. C.

Name of persons you take to register.	Address	Certificate no.
Berry, Lillian	Strawberry St.	
Brunson, Lamar	Holliday St.	
Burns, Lizzie	Gibson St.	
Brown, Rachel A.	Bluff St.	
Brown, Fannie H.	Bluff St.	
Brown, Elsie G.	Bluff St.	
Brown, Martha	Rte. 1	
Brockington, Emma	Rte. 1	
Cox, Nettie Mae	Mullins St.	
Crawford, Julia	Eutaw St.	
Cooper, Sam	Smith St.	
Donnelly, Walter	Rte. 1	
Edwards, Isaac	Rte. 1	
Edwards, Margaret	Rte. 1	
Edwards, Leroy	Rte. 1	
Ellison, Estelle	Rte. 1	
Foxworth, M. R.	Withlacoochee St.	
Furnace, Pheenix	Murry St.	
Fogan Inez S.	Waverly Way St.	
Fladger, Susie B.	Georgetown St.	
Foxworth, Elsie	Withlacoochee St.	

SIXTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

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1. Precinct or Ward Number: South Marion Precinct

2. Place of Voting: City of Marion

3. County: Marion XCounty

4. Your name, address and certificate no.
Ch. Rev. H. T. Richer, 628 South Main St. Marion S. C.

Name of persons you take to register.	Address	Certificate no.
Frierson, Florence	Rte. 1	
Frazier, Joe,	Smith St.	
Graves, Waterman	Rte 2	
Godbolt, Walter	Rte. 2	
Godbolt, Melvin	Rte. 2	
Gunter, Ernestine	Georgetown St.	
Gunter, Marshall	Georgetown St.	
Hall, James	Bluff St.	
Holmes, Jacob	Rte. 2	
Harps, Jerome W.	Gibson St.	
Irick, Alene C.	E. Mullins St.	
Irick, E. L.	E. Mullins St.	
Johnson, Leroy	Strawberry St.	
Johnson, Dorothy	Lewis St.	
Kenny, Aubrey	Euclid St.	
Livingston, Lizzie	Rte 1	
Leonard, Archie M.	Church St.	
Moore, Lillian	Godbold St.	
Moses, Clara Mae	Rte. 1	
Moody, Isola M.	Eutaw St.	
McNeil , William H.	~~MiNN~~ Middle St.	

SIXTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

OUR GOAL: 100,000 REGISTERED VOTERS

1. Precinct or Ward Number: East Mullins Precinct

2. Place of Voting: City Of Mullins

3. County: Marion County

4. Your name, address and certificate no.
Ch. Cleo Samuels 220 S. Mullins St., Mullins S. C.

Name of persons you take to register.	Address	Certificate no.
Armstrong, Nesby R.	Church St.	
Armstrong, James W.	Church St.	
Boone, James C.	Front St.	
Billups, H. P.	McIntyre St.	
Bethea, Felton.	Academy St.	
Bowman, Allen	E. End ST.	
Buch, Geo. H.	E. End St.	
Buch, Amelia J. M.	E. End St.	
Blount, William	Barnes St.	
Bennett, Ina	Church St.	
Bethea Mollie	Academy St.	
Bethea, Matte	Dixon St.	
Brunson, Essie	Rte. 2	
Chism, Geo. H.	East End St.	
Chism, Ruth	E. End St.	
Campbell, Burney, Jr.	Valentine St.	
Cooper, Lewis H.	Mullins St.	
Cooper, Kattie W.	Mullins St.	
Campbell, Rosalie	Valentine St.	
Carmichael, Mary	Dixon St.	
Carmichael, O. B.	Dixon ST.	

SIXTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

OUR GOAL: 100,000 REGISTERED VOTERS

1. Precinct or Ward Number; North Marion

2. Place of Voting City of Marion

3. County Marion County

4. Your name, address and certificate no.
Marvin Gurley, Route 1, Marion S. C.

Name of persons you take to register.	Address	Certificate no.
Askins, Frank O.,	Academy, St.	
Buey, Henry,	Academy St.	
Boatwright, Lula	Rte. 3	
Brantley, Calvin	Rte. 3	
Conner, Allen	Rte. 1	
Canteen, Florrie Bell	Academy St.	
Conner, Arletha D.	Rte. 1	
Conner, Mildred L.	Rte. 1	
Ellerbe, Teressa	Rte. 3	
Ford, Edith G.	Rte. 1	
Fling, Eugene	Arch St.	
Jackson, Elisa	Rte 3	
Patterson, Brunson F.	Fairlee St.	
Rhames, Mattie	Fairlee St.	
Sellers, Gladys	Lombardy St.	
Smith, Bertha M.	Rte. 3	
Sheppard, Lillie Mae	Rte. 3	

SIXTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

OUR GOAL: 100,000 REGISTERED VOTERS

1. Precinct or Ward Number : South Marion Precinct

2. Place of Voting : City of Marion

3. County : Marion County

4. Your name, address and certificate no.
Ch. Rev. H. T. Richer 628 S. Main St. Marion, S. C.

Name of persons you take to register.	Address	Certificate no.
McDonald, Cicero	Rt. 3	
McGill, Melvin, Jr.	Rte. 2	
McGill, Wm. F.	Rte. 2	
Parsley, Henry, Jr.	Wiggins St.	
Robinson, Lillian D.	Mill St.	
Swinton, Sarah J.	Liberty St.	
Thomas, Herbert	Gregg St.	
Williams, Thomas	Euclid St.	
Williams, Letisha	Gregg St.	
Wilson, Barbara	Spring St.	
Washington, Netha	Strawberry St.	

SIXTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

OUR GOAL: 100,000 REGISTERED VOTERS

1. Precinct or Ward Number: Brittons Neck Precinct

2. Place of Voting: Brittons Necks

3. County: Marion County

4. Your name, address and certificate no.
Ch. Commadore Williams, Rte. 2, Gresham, S. C.

Name of persons you take to register.	Address	Certificate no.
Taylor, Lucille	Rte. 1, Gresham	
Taylor, Shepard	Rte. 1, Gresham	
Woodberry, Mattie Mae	Rte. 1, Gresham	
Woodberry, Loubenia	Rte. 1, Gresham	
Woodberry, Margaret	Rte. 1, Gresham	
woodberry, Geneva	Rte. 1, Gresham	
Woodburry, David	Rte. 1, Gresham	
Willis, Geneva	Rte. 1, Gresham	

SIXTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

OUR GOAL: 100,000 REGISTERED VOTERS

1. Precinct or Ward Number: Nichols Precinct

2. Place of Voting: City of Nichols

3. County: Marion County

4. Your name, address and certificate no.
Ch. James Tart Rte 1, Nichols, S. C.

Name of persons you take to register.	Address	Certificate no.
Commendo, Clarence,	Rte 1 Nichols	
Commendol Euls Mae	Rte 1 Nichols	
Davis, Ruth G.	Rte 1 Nichols	
Elvington, Minnie T.	Nichols	
Ford, Gaines, Jr.	Rte 1 Nichols	
Gamble, Rosa Lee	Nichols	
Vereen, Wildon	Rte 1 Nichols	
Vereen, Geneva	Rte 1 Nichols	

SIXTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

OUR GOAL: 100,000 REGISTERED VOTERS

1. Precinct or Ward Number: Rains Precinct

2. Place of Voting : Rains

3. County: Marion County

4. Your name, address and certificate no.
Ch. Annie B. Crawford Rains, S. C.

Name of persons you take to register.	Address	Certificate no.
Brown, Lee	Rte. 1 Mullins	
Bassent, Alma	Rte 3 Marion	
Crawfork , Wright.	Rte 1 Mullins	
Currie, John, Jr.	Rains	
Cross, Wilbur	Rte. 3 Marion	
Godbolt, Eva E.	Rains	
Graves, Eloise H.	Rte 1 Mullins	
Moody, Oneda	Rte 1 Mullins	
Moody, David	Rte. 1 Mullins	
Rowell, Willie	Rte. 3 Marion	

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: Lee County Voters League

Period covered by this report: From May 1 to June 1

Person reporting Joseph T. Thomas

P. O. Box 64 | Lynchburg | Lee | S. C.

Street Address | City | County | State

Date submitted: June 8, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Lee County

Ward, Beat, etc. | Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 40

Number instructed at home 10

Number instructed at clinics None

Number instructed other places 75 a. Specify places Churches

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 36

Number successfully registered by this project this week 12

Number denied registration by this project this week 24

a. Reason for denial Did not qualify-illiterate

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate 11

a. Reason for refusing to participate Fear and disinterest

Number of persons successfully registered since the start

Total number not known at present but will secure at an early date.

Number of workers in the compaign 18

Remarks

Sixth Congressional District

County Lee

State briefly the history of registration among Negro people in your county from August, 1963 to February, 1964. The Lee County Voters League was organized by a group of interested citizens following the boycott of a segregated carnival in our county more than a year ago.

List the names and addresses of county officers

These are listed on enclosure

List the names and addresses of precinct and ward leaders.
These are also listed on enclosure

1. What is the attitude of the registrar's office toward Negro registration? If that attitude is hostile, specify what actions are taken by registrar personnel manifesting this hostility?

Somewhat hostile-the majority of registrants are share-croppers and unable to use their freedom in registering at present.

2. Detail any harassment or intimidation of registrants or registration workers by public officials.

Subtle discouraging statements made to prospective registrants

3. If there have been overt indications of resistance on the part of the white community in general to Negro registration, specify what specific form this resistance has taken.

Fear of being evicted from property has kept the majority of the eligible voters away.

4. What reasons are given by people who refuse to participate as prospective registrants in the registration program?

Fear of intimidation and lack of interest in civic affairs.

Bishopville, South Carolina

Lee County

June 8, 1964

County Officers:
Henry Isaac———Chairman
W. C. Dannelly——Co-Chairman
Clarence McFadden-Treasurer
Joseph T. Thomas—Secretary
Heman H. Felix——Asst. Secretary

Precinct 1 Bishopville, S. C.
Frank McLeod———Chairman
W. J. Thomas——Co-Chairman

Precinct 2 Bishopville, S. C.
Phillip Mixon-Chairman

Precinct 3 Lynchburg, S. C.
E. K. Best-Chairman
Herman H. Felix-Secretary
James Mathis-Treasurer

Precinct 4 Elliott, S. C.
Clarence McFadden- Chariman
Mrs. C. Scott-Secretary
Benny McDonald-Treasurer

Precinct 5 Sandy Grove and Ebenezer
Joe Rogers-Chairman
Marion Rivers-Secretary
Liston Huff-Treasurer

Precinct 6 St. Charles
Rev. T. Benjamin-Chairman

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

LEE COUNTY

Joseph T. Thomas, Chairman

Total number of persons registered during May, 1964- 12

County Registration Books were open May 4, 5, and 6, 1964

SIXTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

OUR GOAL 100,000 REGISTERED VOTERS

1. Precinct or Ward Number

2. Place of Voting

3. County Lee

4. Your name, address and certificate no.

Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.
Evelyn Wright		
May Virginia Wilson		
Eva Mae Scott		
Virginia E. Williams		
Marion Henry		
Emma Jane Parrott		
Genet Parrott		
Goline Gamty		
Willie Mae Richardson		
Ethel Mae Richardson		
Hattie Lee Lynch		
Eugenia Durant		

Number of certificate and Address not available at present.

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: The Horry County Progressive Association

Period covered by this report: From May 1 to June 1

Person reporting Dr. P. C. Kelly

	Conway	Horry	S. C.
Street Address	City	County	State

Date submitted: June 8, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Horry County

Ward, Beat, etc.	Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 210

Number instructed at home 75

Number instructed at clinics None

Number instructed other places 500 a. Specify places Churches

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 375

Number successfully registered by this project this week 309

Number denied registration by this project this week 66

a. Reason for denial Could not qualify

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate None

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start Unknown at present

Number of workers in the compaign 35

Remarks

Sixth Congressional District

County Horry

State briefly the history of registration among Negro people in your county from August, 1963 to February, 1964. The Horry County Progressive Association, a composite of eight districts, organized in 1963. The volume of registrants has steadily improved during each period.

List the names and addresses of county officers

Dr. P. C. Kelly, Chrm.
Conway, South Carolina

Rev. Rufus Daniels
c/o Friendship Baptist Church
Conway, South Carolina

List the names and addresses of precinct and ward leaders.

Racepath Precinct: Dr. P. C. Kelly, Committeeman

1. What is the attitude of the registrar's office toward Negro registration? If that attitude is hostile, specify what actions are taken by registrar personnel manifesting this hostility?

At times indifferent and disrespectful when large groups appear.

2. Detail any harassment or intimidation of registrants or registration workers by public officials.

None

3. If there have been overt indications of resistance on the part of the white community in general to Negro registration, specify what specific form this resistance has taken.

None

4. What reasons are given by people who refuse to participate as prospective registrants in the registration program?

Lack of transportation and interest in program

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

HORRY COUNTY

Dr. P. C. Kelly, Chairman

Total number of persons registered during May, 1964-
309

County Registration Books were open May 4, 5, and 6, 1964

THE HORRY COUNTY PROGRESSIVE ASSOCIATION

NAMES	ADDRESS	REGISTRATION NUMBER
1. Ora Lee Shields	Rt. 1, Longs, S. C.	15827
2. Eva Mae Hemingway	" "	21576
3. Edna Bryant	" "	21546
4. Mamie Willard	" "	13952
5. Gertie Mae Vereen	" "	21564
6. Annie Stanley	" "	13955
7. Mack Vereen	" "	19608
8. Lorene Vereen	" "	14545
9. Ozie Bell Willard	" "	16005
10. George Williard	" "	13957
11. Annie M. Willard	" "	13953
12. Rose E. Vereen	" "	12251
13. Eddie Vereen	" "	12252
14. Almeta Green	" "	21980
15. T. C. Moore	" "	17020
16. Edna Livingston	" "	15072
17. Albert Chestnut	" "	22844
18. Earl Chestnut	" "	35503
19. Alberta Chestnut	" "	125080
20. Barbara Ingram	" "	22153
21. Richard Braham	" "	22181
22. Armatha Braham	" "	13998
23. Zelene Jean Moore	" "	22154
24. Dophus D. Livingston	" "	12565
25. Jettie L. Ligingston	" "	17017

THE HORRY COUNTY PROGRESSIVE ASSOCIATION

NAMES	ADDRESS	REGISTRATION NUMBER
26. Herman Edge	Rt. 1, Longs, S. C.	22527
27. Bertha Edge	" "	22939
28. Richard Livingston	" "	13960
29. Fannie Mae Ligingston	" "	22879
30. Raymond Willard	" "	22535
31. Shirley Livingston	" "	22533
32. Marie Conyers	" "	22540
33. Fred Buck	" "	14070
34. Vivian Buck	" "	14397
35. Francis Buck	" "	22887
36. Burnice Vereen	" "	17023
37. Chestine Cotton	" "	20021
38. Jerline Hemingway	" "	22744
39. Hazel Copper	" "	22743
40. Effie Hemingway	1614 Race Path St.	23323
41. Mrs. McButler	409 Whitts Alley	21007
42. Mr. McButler	404 Race Path Ave.	20332
43. Mrs. Elwood Sealy	1508 Fifth Avenue	21947
44. Mrs. McButler	1508 Fifth Avenue	21948
45. Thomas Small	1512 Race Path	18500
46. Jeanette R. Greene	1610 Race Path	14899
47. Robert Small	908 Whittemore Street	21185
48. Sarah Eaddy	Race Path St.	20691
49. Emma Burroughs	910 Highway 378	21247
50. Frances Bellamy	942 Highway 378	19084
51. Eugene Bellamy	16th Avenue	19917
52. Viola Canteene	1716 Highway 378	21337
53. Beverly Harris	1806 Highway 378	21066

HORRY COUNTY PROGRESSIVE ASSOCIATION

NAMES	ADDRESS	REGISTRATION NUMBER
54. Simmie Bellamy	1804 Race Path St.	12586
55. Mildred Jackson	" " " "	12587
56. Lula B. Dewitt	1708 Ward Circle	20720
57. John Johnson	1713 Ward Circle	21232
58. Arnetha Johnson	1713 Ward Circle	20678
59. Willie Collins	1611 16th St.	21227
60. Charlotte Brown	1709 16th Ave.	18504
61. Braxton Brown	1709 16th Ave.-	18505
62. Ida Mae Scott	1720 16th Ave.	23257
63. Mary Alice Friday	1705 Ward Circle	21352
64. Edna Burroughs	Graingertown, Conway	14688
65. Wilmont Burroughs	" "	21405
66. Elizabeth Horry	902 Whittemore St.	21588
67. Curly Lee Gallishaw	1707 Ward Circle	26722
68. Roberta Long	1503 Dewitt Ave.	23136
69. Clander Eagel		21289
70. Theresa Williams	1711 16th Ave.	19631
71. Vernell Brown	1709 Ward Circle	21180
72. John E. Sessions	909 Hickory Circle	23830
73. Pearl Floyd	1915 Race Path	26657
74. Mary A. Moore		23540
75. Betty Blain		23568
76. Willie S. Singleton		22168
77. Josephine Smith		21184
78. Susie Rogers		21188
79. Lena Loorter		21189
80. Evelyn Johnson		21191
81. Bessie Ford		21155
82. Maude Wright		21156
83. Frank Bellamy		21160

THE HORRY COUNTY PROGRESSIVE ASSOCIATION

NAMES	ADDRESS	REGISTRATION NUMBER
84. Beaulah Hemingway		21159
85. Coritha Bellamy		21163
86. Ivory Powell		21164
87. George Johnson		21165
88. James Smalls		21161
89. Billy L. Fushley		21200
90. David Smalls	Carver St. Myrlte Beach	20855
91. Lonnie Johnson		15703
92. Ella Gore		21065
93. Ammie Bryant		21026
94. W. G. Gore		21031
95. Blanche Dewitt		21030
96. Essie Johnson		20984
97. Chester Johnson		20633
98. Mixine Dewitt		21054
99. James Moody		26631
100. Beatrice Rhue		17724
101. F. L. McCray	1804 Brown Street	18441
Ala P. Hickman	1734A Highland Ave.	18275
103. S. Y. Scott	Bucksport	19611
104. C. E. Wilson	Conway, S. C.	23637
105. Mack Veereen	Rt. 1, Box 106, Longs	19608
106. Alphonson Hughes	1718 Race Path St.	20336
107. Shirley Baker	432 Thompson St.	20315
108. H. Jackson		21332
109. Verna Dozier		20333
110. Christen Dozier		20329
111. Don Ethel Dozier		20328
112. Claudia Dozier		20330

THE HORRY COUNTY PROGRESSIVE ASSOCIATION

NAMES	ADDRESS	REGISTRATION NUMBER
113. Ralph J. Vaught		20331
114. Moses Pinkney		20337
115. James A. Vandross		20318
116. Leroy Bryant		19920
117. Lavy McDonald	Rt. 5, Conway, S. C.	19915
118. Eugene Bellamy	Rt. 4, Conway, S. C.	19917
119. James Livingston	Rt. 4, Conway, S. C.	19916
120. Cleveland Stevens	Box 104, Conway, S. C.	16732
121. Thomas Manigo	2024 5th Ave.	19565
122. James Scott	Bucksport, S. C.	19610
123. James Mishoe	Bucksport, S. C.	15168
124. Samuel Floyd, Jr.		18158
125. George Parker, Jr.		21995
126. Wilbur H. Bellamy		22149
127. Riley Frzier		20713
128. Jackie Frazier		21064
129. Wilhemina Hunt		19871
130. Mahaila Frazieer		20649
131. Ernest McCray		19669
132. Lue Nell Sherman		12277
133. May McCray		19668
134. Ida Butler		21010
135. Emma Hannicut		20689
136. Margaret Sumpter		20990
137. Earthlene Johnson		20714
138. Agnes Gause		19327
139. Josephine McCray		22164
140. Keller Sumpter		20652
141. Mae Dell McCray		20991

THE HORRY COUNTY PROGRESSIVE ASSOCIATION

NAMES	ADDRESS	REGISTRATION NUMBER
142. Joan Blain		15085
143. Dorothy Hillard		20878
144. Phyllis Scott		19359
145. William Johnson		20618
146. Alberta Jackson		21023
147. J. T. Jackson		21029
148. Ammie Jackson		21021
149. Essie Brown		21027
150. Margaree Gagum		21022
151. Eva Haywood		21020
152. Doris Lynch		20622
153. Frances Simmon		20623
154. Maitie Gettys		20525
155. Bessie L. Campbell		20624
156. Jimmie Wyman		20629
157. Loydell Anderson	1717 Highway 378	23138
158. Lessie Gore		19850
159. Robert Small		21185
160. Roberta Livingston	Rt. 1, Longs, S. C.	22863
161. Vernell Brown		21180
162. Thelma Skinner		21181
163. Mae Bell Gagum		21182
164. Joydell Anderson	1717 Hy., 378	23138
165. Mrs. Demoris Fladger	1614 Race Path	15198
166. James L. Pinkney		21183
167. James Dewitt		367TR
168. Jospphine Smith		21184
169. Susie Rogers		21188

THE HORRY COUNTY PROGRESSIVE ASSOCIATION

NAMES	ADDRESS	REGISTRATION NUMBER
170. Cleveland Fladger	1614 Race Path	14990
171. Mary Godbolt		20661
172. Gussie Pertell		20659
173. Pearl Floyd		26659
174. Simmie Beasant		19914
175. James Frazier		20713
176. M. H. Welch		21003
177. Martha Brantley		14794
178. Harold Johnson		21014
179. Capus Hunt		19208
180. Willie Bryant		19211
181. Leroy Rush		20709
182. Grace Hicks		20708
183. Flossie Green		29945
184. Christeen L. Person		20996
185. Mary Smith		20997
186. Frank Sherman		20695
187. Gorah Johnson		20973
188. Mary Randall		20975
189. Gerotha Jones		20977
190. Maggie Sindab		20976
191. Sarah Pyatt		20979
192. James Langston		20986
193. Christian Dozier	Mt. Calvary	20328
194. Don Lee	5th Ave., Conway	20338
Mazie Booth	R.F.D. 5, Bx. 84, Conway	20312
195. Jheron Shields	Rt. 1, Box 265, Longs, S. C.	19614
197. Cecil Bellamy	1721 Race Path, Conway	18266
198. Leola Stevens	Rt. 4, Conway	18263

THE HORRY COUNTY PROGRESSIVE ASSOCIATION

NAMES	ADDRESS	REGISTRATION NUMBER
199. James Oochran	Rt. 4, Conway	19918
200. Nettie Jones	" "	19919
201. Mabel Johnson	" "	19879
202. Mattie Dewitt	2028 6th Ave., Conway	12499
203. Claudia Dozier	Mt. Calvary	20330
204. Leroy Bryant	" "	19920
205. Don Ethel Dozier	" "	20329
206. Bessie Bryant	" "	19854
207. Ruby Maye	" "	15633
208. Linda Richardson	" "	19858
209. Johnnie Wilson	" "	20328
210. Maude B. Wight	1910 Race Path St.	21156
211. Harry James Gaither	1906 Race Path St.	21607
212. Clara Owens	412 Smith Street	21202
213. Elizabeth Funny	404 Ann Street	21057
214. Mary M. Smith	1513 Fifth Avenue	20997
215. Alfred Smith	1513 Fifth Avenue	26[illegible]
216. Helen Asbury	25039 Fifth Avenue	23949
217. Patricia Gardan	1714 Spivey Street	22005
218. Beatrice Rhue	1719 Spivey Street	17724
219. Joseph Smalls	1713 Spivey Street	20[illegible]16
220. Wilhemina Deloach	1723 Spivey Street	21953
221. Janie Mae Friday	4th Avenue	21447
222. Catherine Tyson	Church Street	23372
223. Vic Rainbow	Church Street	14679
224. Willie Lee Singleton	2018 6th Avenue	22168
225. Bernice Jeanette	602 Ridge Street	21055
226. Leroy Rush	Graingertown, Conway	26709

THE HORRY COUNTY PROGRESSIVE ASSOCIATION

NAMES	ADDRESS	REGISTRATION NUMBER
227. Amie Graham	36 Live Oak Street	20711
228. Donell Beaty	27 Live Oak Street	15245
229. Willie Lowery	1007 Live Oak Street	20727
230. Rosa Lowery	1007 Live Oak Street	23359
231. Betty Blain	1004 Palmetto Street	23568
232. Janet Smalls	913 Gasoline Avenue	21161
233. Janie M. Jackson	1001 Live Oak Street	23458
234. Katie Floyd	2402 Leonard Street	23458
235. Joshua Vaught	Rt. 1, Longs, S. C.	17295
Evelyn Vaught	" "	22130
237. Henry Vereen	" "	14000Ø
238. Marie Dewitt	" "	21961
239. Rebecca Livingston	" "	16317
240. Phillip Dewitt	" "	21963
241. Vaigie Ann Vereen	" "	17675
242. Rufus Livingston	" "	13884
243. Batrace Livingston	" "	22921
244. Lula Mae Vereen	" "	22923
245. Ossie C. Vereen	" "	13885
246. Rether Vaught	Rt. 5, Conway, S. C.	13495
247. Bennie Vaught	" "	242TR
248. Doris J. Johnson	1613 5th Avenue	23333
249. Nettie M. Brogdon	1611 5th Avenue	21052
250. N. C. Brogdon	1611 5th Avenue	21052
251. Lula F. Floyd	409 Whitts Alley	18244
252. Betty Moore	409 Whitts Alley	21005
253. Henry E. Laws	423 Smith Street	21058
254. Samuel Mouhue	413 Smith Street	21623
255. Margeth Hammie	407 Smith Street	17883

THE HORRY COUNTY PROGRESSIVE ASSOCIATION

NAMES	ADDRESS	REGISTRATION NUMBER
256. Saul Lee Dukes	410 Smith Street	22161
257. V. Chestnut	1519 5th Avenue	22004
258. Frank E. McCray	1518 5th Avenue	21290
259. Ernestine M. Jones	1501 5th Avenue	18264
260. D. Jones	1413 5th Avenue	18264
261. G. Jones	1413 5th Avenue	11339
262. Sarah Miller	1835 Race Path	23496
263. Ordella S. Holmes	1912 Race Path	23598
264. Ruben Session,1916 Race Path Ave		20643
265. Mildred Welch	1816 9th Avenue	21003
266. Leo Huggins	Box 618, Conway, S. C.	21193
267. Gladys Spain	1906 Singleton St.	26620
268. Emma Lee Cox	Rt. 1, Longs, S. C.	22745
269. Roena V. Smith	" "	23475
270. Flossie Vereen	" "	23477
271. Hattie Livingston	" "	23478
272. Effie R. Wilson	" "	12869
273. Addie Mae Vereen	" "	12492
274. Generett Moore	" "	12259
Dorothy Bell Moore	" "	26634
276. Lavern B. Livingston	" "	14021
277. Rena B. Livingston	" "	17611
Bernie Dewitt	" "	12258
279. Aliene Livingston	" "	22870
280. Gracie Bland	P. O. Box 1621 Myrtle Beach, S. C.	20364
281. Charles Bland	P. O. Box 1621 Myrtle Beach, S. C.	20365

THE HORRY COUNTY PROGRESSIVE ASSOCIATION

NAMES	ADDRESS	REGISTRATION NUMBER
282. Virginia L. Robinson	2035 6th Avenue	20335
283. Marian W. Watson	2203 6th Avenue	18176
284. Jessie McElveen	2102 6th Avenue	21062
285. Ive Bell Ford	720 Hill Street	21363
286. Evelyn Mack	1707 Spivey Street	21205
287. Simmie G. Bessant, Jr.	4th Avenue	19914
288. Flossie Green	Church Street	20945
289. Waymom Brown	Church Street	23480
290. Daisy Small	3rd. Avenue	21449
291. Mattie M. Dewitt	2028 6th Avenue	12499
292. Sarah Bowens	2202 6th Avenue	23621
293. Laurie McElveen	2102 6th Avenue	23317
294. Delma Garner	605 Pittman Street	21050
295. Sarah H. Wiley	1705 Singleton Street	21587
296. Vance Livingston	Rt. 1, Longs, S. C.	183TR
297. Willie Mae Long	1613 Fifth Avenue	11727
298. Maggie Wilson	Race Path	11610
299. John E. Avant	1507 Dewitt Avenue	11357
300. Sarah Oliver	Bucksport	11209
301. Norwood Steele	Rt. 4, Conway	11186
302. Appes McClean	Rt. 1, Longs, S. C.	11489
303. Damoris Fladger	1611 Race Path	14990
304. Ida Bellamy	Rt. 1. Longs, S. C.	11867
305. James Dewitt		367TR
306. Dock Galloway		10515
307. H. W. Tyson		11260
308. Julius Holmes	1912 Race Path Avenue	10468
309. Maggie Barnhill	714 Hill Street	10494

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: Darlington County Voter Registration Project

Period covered by this report: From May 1 to June 1

Person reporting Arthur W. Stanley

1002 S. Main Street — Street Address
Darlington — City
Darlington — County
S. C. — State

Date submitted: June 9, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Darlington County

Ward, Beat, etc. — Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 200

Number instructed at home 150

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places 300 a. Specify places Churches

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week

Number successfully registered by this project this week 16

Number denied registration by this project this week 19

a. Reason for denial Failed to meet registration requirements.

Number contacted by other means Person al contact

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate None

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start

Unknown at present

Number of workers in the compaign 30

Remarks This program is now in the process of organization.

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

DARLINGTON COUNTY

Mr. Arthur W. Stanley,
Chairman

Total number of person registered during May, 1964-16. (List incomplete)

County Registration Books were open May 4, 5, and 6, 1964

SIXTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

OUR GOAL 100,000 REGISTERED VOTERS

1. Precinct or Ward Number

2. Place of Voting

3. County Darlington

4. Your name, address and certificate no.

Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.
Laura Wright	New Market	16168
Pauline Braley	New Market	16162
Charlie Mae Coker	New Market	16271
Ella Cabbagestalk	Hartsville	16171
Anna Laura Evans	Hartsville	15832
Gwendolyn Evans	Hartsville	15833
Lillie Mae Evans	Hartsville	15593
Willie Evans	Hartsville	15588
Helen Jackson Graham	Dovesville	16186
Ida Mae Harkless	Darlington #5	16272
Harris Evans	Hartsville #6	16303
Helen Knox	Hartsville #8	16182
Henry Knox	Hartsville #8	16181
James McWilliam, Jr.	Bethel	16185
Ruth White	Darlington #4	15828
Eugene Woodham	Hartsville #6	16304

Incomplete list because of the primary election in county.

Darlington County

Darlington #4

President: W. J. Hunter
Vice Pres: Joseph Davis
Sec.-Treas: Mrs. Annie Poole
County Comm.: Rowland Poole

Darlington #5

President: Mrs. Sarah McCray
Vice Pres.: Willie Parrott
Sec.-Treas.: Mariah Peoples
County Comm.: C. C. Cooper

Hartsville #6

President: Richard Peterson
Vice Pres.: Theodore Hough
Sec.-Treas.: Harold L. Young
Precinct Sec.: Mrs. Emma R. Smith
County Comm.: Rev. E. A. Spann

Sixth Congressional District

County Darlington

State briefly the history of registration among Negro people in your county from August, 1963 to February, 1964. Since the decision of Judge J. W. Waring, this has been one of the most liberal counties in South Carolina.

List the names and addresses of county officers

Arthur Stanley, Chrm.
1004 S. Main Street
Darlington, S. C.

Mrs. Robert Brown
315 Reid Street
Darlington, S. C.

List the names and addresses of precinct and ward leaders.

1. What is the attitude of the registrar's office toward Negro registration? If that attitude is hostile, specify what actions are taken by registrar personnel manifesting this hostility?

Good

2. Detail any harassment or intimidation of registrants or registration workers by public officials.

None

3. If there have been overt indications of resistance on the part of the white community in general to Negro registration, specify what specific form this resistance has taken.

None

4. What reasons are given by people who refuse to participate as prospective registrants in the registration program?

Economic reasons

403 North Dargan Street
Florence, South Carolina
June 9, 1964

Mr. Wiley Branton, Director
Voter Education Project
Room 206
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton:

We are sending our education report for the nine counties of the 6th Congressional District.

Some of the county registrars made it difficult in securing the registration certificate numbers, but I am positive that the county chairmen will have these numbers for you soon.

In Marlboro County, the organization was just set up by Mr. F. E. Cain, local attorney. A copy of his letter is enclosed.

Yours truly,

R. N. Beck

R. N. Beck, M. D.

RNB/jw

Mr. Branton

FRANK E. CAIN, JR.
ATTORNEY AT LAW
BENNETTSVILLE, S. C.

June 8, 1964

Honorable Reese R. Hamer, Chairman
Marlboro County Registration Board
County Courthouse
Bennettsville, So. Carolina

Re: Enrollment of Negro Registrants for 1964

Dear Mr. Hamer:

This will confirm our conference this afternoon between yourself, Rev. Norman T. Robinson, Jr., and the writer at which time we requested a listing of the names of all Negroes who registered from January 1 through May 31, 1964, also their addresses and Registration Numbers. This will also confirm the fact that you Telephoned Mrs. Chalmers B. Huey, Secretary for the Registeration Board, requesting her to make up this list as soon as possible and furnish it to the undersigned; and this further confirms the fact that we are to pay her for her time in preparing same.

This will further confirm your statement that the Marlboro County Board of Registration is closed until the first Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of August in order to comply with the State Laws affecting Primaries. Of course, it is my understanding that all Boards will be open for at least the first 15 days in the Months of May and August.

I also wish to confirm my statement that the information sought was for the purpose of compiling Records of the Southern Regional Council which would like to have the information this week, if possible. We also wish to confirm the fact that your Secretary is the only person authorized to copy the information we have requested.

I wish to thank you for taking the time to discuss these matters at such great length and we are looking forward to hearing from you or Mrs. Huey about the list of Registrants, requested today.

With kind personal regards, I am,

Very truly yours,

Frank E. Cain, Jr.

FECJR/e
cc: Dr. R. N. Beck, M. D.
Hon. Wiley N. Branton

TELEPHONE 354-7058

P. O. Box 41

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FRANK E. CAIN, JR.
BENNETTSVILLE OFFICE
479-2552
RESIDENCE: 479-4466

June 8, 1964

Reply to P. O. Box 592
Bennettsville, S. C.

R. N. Beck, M. D.
403 N. Dargan Street
Florence, So. Carolina

Dear Dr. Beck:

Please find enclosed herewith two copies of letter going to the Chairman of Marlboro County Registration Board. You may send the extra copy to Mr. Branton's Office, if you wish. Anyway, I believe the letter is self explanatory.

We questioned Mr. Hamer about opening the Registration office in July but he says this would conflict with any Second Primaries or Run-offs in the State, and to open the office in July would be in violation of the election laws. I haven't checked this out yet, but I believe he is correct on that point. Of course there are some counties where the local powers do whatever they like about such things as you may know.

We have stimulated things over here a bit and we expect to have a good turn out at our next meeting on June 24th at the American Legion Hut on King Street. That is where we are meeting presently. We haven't received an invitation from any Churches, yet, but we expect to rotate our meetings after this month.

Sincerely yours,

Frank E. Cain, Jr.

FECJR/c
Encl

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: Florence County Voter Education Project

Period covered by this report: From May 4-8 to May 11-15

Person reporting Mr. Jonas Deas

512 Kemp Street	Florence	Florence	South Carolina
Street Address	City	County	State

Date submitted: June 9, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Florence County

[illegible]

Ward, Beat, etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 274

Number instructed at home 16

Number instructed at clinics None

Number instructed other places 50 a. Specify places Churches

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 276 (two weeks)

Number successfully registered by this project this week 205 (two weeks)

Number denied registration by this project this week 71 (two weeks)

a. Reason for denial Could not read

Number contacted by other means 66

a. Specify means Educational training programs

Number refusing to participate None

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 205

Number of workers in the compaign 35

Remarks This has been a very successful campaign. It was spurred on by mass meetings and precinct meetings on the county level.

Sixth Congressional District

County Florence

State briefly the history of registration among Negro people in your county from August, 1963 to February, 1964. The Voter Registration was spurred by the organization of the Florence Committee on Negro Affairs in 1963. This organization, a corporate of the Ministerial Alliance, Lodge and Fraternal Organizations, and the National Council of Negro Women initiated a program of mass Negro voter registration.

List the names and addresses of county officers

These are listed on enclosure

List the names and addresses of precinct and ward leaders.

These are listed on enclosure

1. What is the attitude of the registrar's office toward Negro registration? If that attitude is hostile, specify what actions are taken by registrar personnel manifesting this hostility?

   Very satisfactory - No hostility

2. Detail any harassment or intimidation of registrants or registration workers by public officials.

   None

3. If there have been overt indications of resistance on the part of the white community in general to Negro registration, specify what specific form this resistance has taken.

   None

4. What reasons are given by people who refuse to participate as prospective registrants in the registration program?

   Don't have time-apathy

Florence City

Precinct I

Chairman------Wm Bennett
Vice Chairman-Sam Broom
Secretary-----Mrs. Marjorie Johnson

Precinct II

Chairman--------Jonas Deas
Vice Chairman---Andrew Laken
Secretary-------Ella Puvis
Assistant Sec.--Ruby Bass
Treasurer-------Frank White

Precinct III

Chairman-------Edward Thomas
Vice Chairman--Edmond Smoot
Secretart------Rogers Dimery
Treasurer------Andrew Huggins

Coward

Chairman--------Raymond Henneghan
Vice Chairman---Lavern Hall
Secretary-------Blance Hall
Recording Sec.--Mallie Henneghan
Treasurer-------Calvin Robinson

Tanes Bay (Effingham)

Chairman-------Rev. C. C. Staten
Vice Chairman--Walter Benjamin
Secretary------Joshua Herbert
Treasurer------Edith Johnson

Timmonsville

Chairman--------Lawerence Howard
Vice Chairman---Rev. J. C. McTeer
Secretary-------Willie Wright
Assistant Sec.--Bud Shield
Treasurer-------Maxie Grooms

Pamplico

Chairman-------L. E. Hyman
Vice Chairman--John Henry Gibbs
Secretary------Mrs. Evelyn Eddie
Treasurer------Ban Graham

Friendfield

Chairman---John Gary

Johnsonville

Chairman---Chester Boatwright

Lake City

Chairman----Walter Scott
Secretary---Naomi Timmons
Treasurer---Rev. T. L. Thomas

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

FLORENCE COUNTY

Mr. Jonas Deas, Chairman

Total number of persons registered during May, 1964-205

County Registration Books were open May 4-8 and May 11-15

SIXTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

OUR GOAL: 200,000 REGISTERED VOTERS

1. Precinct or Ward Number **Ward #1**

2. Place of Voting **YMCA**

3. County **Florence**

4. Your name, address and certificate no.

Name of persons you take to register.	Address	Certificate no.
Mary Askins	1107 Hamlet Street	25363
Sudie Anderson	Maxwell St. Florence, S. C.	25405
James Anderson	904 E. Evans St. Florence, S. C.	25553
Blance Abrams	551 Frazier St. Florence, S. C.	25834
Alva E. Broom	209 E. Cheves St. Florence, S. C.	25200
Fred Barr	108 S. Griffin St. Florence, S. C.	25328
Willaim W. Bennett	109 N. Gaillard St. Florence, S. C.	25109
Bina Lee Bacus	1110 Maxwell St. Florence, S. C.	25620
Beatrice B. Brooks	105 Pawley St. Florence	25670
Jacob Blanding	101 Ives St. Florence	29533
Joseph Black	Spawling Heights Florence	26027
Ruby Jean Bacote	104 N. Jefferds St. Florence	26362
George Bartelle	604 N. Dargan St. Florence	26365
Walter Bestick	115 S. Gaillard St. Florence	26406
Marie Brunson	715 Pawley St. Florence	26522
Mattie Mae Byrd	623 Wilson St. Florence	26750
James Brown	707 N. Dargan St. Florence	26585
Charlie Byrd	112 N. Vista Florence	26933
Julia Caldwell	512 Carver Florence	25637
Velma Downs	409 Athens Florence	26374
Geldie Mae Delay	1004 Lynch Florence	26690

SIXTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

OUR GOAL: 200,000 REGISTERED VOTERS

1. Precinct or Ward Number **Ward #1**

2. Place of Voting **YMCA**

3. County **Florence**

4. Your name, address and certificate no.

Name of persons you take to register.	Address		Certificate no.
Sam Greene	401 Washington	Florence	26554
Harrell, Erma	116 N. Vista	Florence	25552
Henry, Mary T.	804B- Bradford	Florence	26152
Harrison, Mary Lee	207A-E. Marlboro	Florence	26416
Jackson, Hannah	Day St.	Florence	25419
James, Lula	601 Brunson	Florence	25538
Jones, Odella	103 N. Jefferds	Florence	25622
Johnson, Frank	302 Athens	Florence	25636
Johnson, Marjorie	209 E. Marlboro	Florence	25938
Johnson, Samuel	810 N. Dargan	Florence	25946
Jimerson, Bessie	1209 E. Cheves	Florence	26113
Scott, Arthur	N. Irby	Florence	25310
Scott, Hattie	N. Irby	Florence	25312
Smalls, Pearl	1004 Layton	Florence	26845
Smith, Alice	Rt. 1	Florence	26935
Samuel, Amanda	1431 E. Evans	Florence	26993
Thompson, Hattie	402 N. Timmons	Florence	25656
Thomas, John W.	904 Mulberry	Florence	25711
Williams, Calvin H.	509 N. Boyd	Florence	25530
Wilson, Calvin	401 N. Roughfork	Florence	25624
Wallace, James	1001 Royal	Florence	25835

SIXTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

OUR GOAL: 200,000 REGISTERED VOTERS

1. Precinct or Ward Number Ward #1

2. Place of Voting YMCA

3. County Florence

4. Your name, address and certificate no.

Name of persons you take to register.	Address		Certificate no.
Moses, Alma	337 N. Commander	Florence	26219
Muldrow, Moses Jr.	106 Liberty	Florence	26331
Muldrow, Eloise	106 Liberty	Florence	26348
Merritts, Juanita	158 E. Liberty	Florence	26347
Murray, Benjamin	604 Lee	Florence	26514
Murray, Julia W.	604 Lee	Florence	26737
Moses, Isaac	522 Commander	Florence	26950
McCullen, Melvenia	708 N. Dargan	Florence	26177
McBride, Wm. E.	110 Heard	Florence	26415
McCray, Wiley	709 Lee	Florence	26473
McCray, Hazel	709 Lee	Florence	26479
McWhite, Essie Mae	501 N. Dargan	Florence	26592
McCall, Ruth	708 Lee 513 Brunson	Florence	26931
Mattles, Malvin	802 Royal	Florence	25760
Oliver, Christine	Rt. 1	Florence	25744
Peoples, Louise C.	Rt.1	Florence	25740
Phillips, Willie	1403 Holmes	Florence	26186
Plowden, Bessie	1006 E. Evans	Florence	26675
Packer, Lillie Nelle	413 Washington	Florence	26817
Packer, Spencer	413 Washington	Florence	26957
Robinson, Harry S.	1001 Pawley	Florence	25331

SIXTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

OUR GOAL: 100,000 REGISTERED VOTERS

1. Precinct or Ward Number **Ward #1**

2. Place of Voting **YMCA**

3. County **Florence**

4. Your name, address and certificate no.

Name of persons you take to register.		Address	Certificate no.
Baddy, Ines	406B-Liberty	Florence	25431
Ervin, Estelle	814 Lincoln	Florence	25912
Evans, Hattie Mae	400 E. Marlboro	Florence	26172
Edwards, Improvement	1012 W. Marion	Florence	26183
Ellis, Julia	216 E. Marion	Florence	26444
Grant, Lilliane Mrs	1433 E. Evans	Florence	25242
Gass Emma	307 Liberty	Florence	26991
George, Alex	115 W. Liberty	Florence	25252
Gardner, Hattie	623 Brunson	Florence	25541
Gregg, Mary Alice	108 E. Liberty	Florence	25562
Graham, Shirley	509 Oakland	Florence	26100
Grant, Eugene	913 Mallory	Florence	26364
Greene, Lucille	1053 E. Evans	Florence	26375
Greene, Mary B.	401 Washington	Florence	26382
Gettis, Emanuel	113 W. Liberty	Florence	26528
Greene Lennon	410 Hampton	Florence	26518
Wilson, Deana C.	E. Cheves	Florence	26001
Williams, Annie J.	213 N. Dargan	Florence	26223
Wright, Florence	217 Gaillard	Florence	26652

SIXTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

OUR GOAL: 100,000 REGISTERED VOTERS

1. Precinct or Ward Number **Ward #2**

2. Place of Voting **Harllee**

3. County **Florence**

4. Your name, address and certificate no.

Name of persons you take to register.	Address		Certificate no.
Barr, Margie S.	1109 E. Cox	Florence	25196
Bass, Ruby	510 John	Florence	25591
Beauford, Evelyn	1100 E. Chewas	Florence	25707
Brown, Harry Jr.	518 S. John	Florence	25726
Bacote, Roscoe	422 S. Gaillard	Florence	26060
Bostick, Blaney Lee	1656 E. Cheves	Florence	26388
Brown, General	810 E. Walnut	Florence	26410
Brown, Johnnie C.	520 Charlotte	Florence	26831
Brown Adelaide D.	810 Walnut	Florence	26622
Commander, Sara B.	1106 E. Cox	Florence	25458
Cooper, Mary Louise	1111 E. Pine	Florence	25654
Clemmons, Margaret	212 S. Gaillard	Florence	25663
Coleman, Clarence	111 Ives	Florence	25687
Campbell, Julia	313½ Ballard	Florence	26418
Coker, Preston	1117 E. Palmetto	Florence	26513
Cannon, Eliza Mae	1415 E. Palmetto	Florence	26986
Dottery, Pauline W.	McCurdy Rd.	Florence	25615
Davis, Loretta	McCurdy Rd.	Florence	25646
Davis, Harmon	McCurdy Rd.	Florence	25648
Davis, Nadine	McCurdy Rd.	Florence	25651
Daniels, Barbara Ann	318 Ballard	Florence	25668

SIXTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

OUR GOAL: 200,000 REGISTERED VOTERS

1. Precinct or Ward Number **Ward #2**

2. Place of Voting **Hartlee School**

3. County **Florence**

4. Your name, address and certificate no.

Name of persons you take to register.	Address		Certificate no.
Dargan, Edward	1108 E. Cheves	Florence	25669
Davis, Joan	1110 E. Pine	Florence	25768
Davis, Lieutenant	1312 E. Cheves	Florence	26092
Davis, Laura	McCurdy Rd.	Florence	25643
Eagleton, Luke	Rt. 4	Florence	25747
Ervin, Richard	509 Sumter	Florence	25903
Fleming, Lillie	508 S. Gaillard	Florence	25011
Frazier, Creala Grooms	316 Ravenel	Florence	25686
Goodson, Cealia C.	2065 Kershaw	Florence	25455
Gardner, Claudia W.	215 S. Gaillard	Florence	26024
Gardner, Mohn Henry	215 S. Gaillard	Florence	26023
Georg, Hesma B.	421 S. John	Florence	26722
Green, John	206 Kemp	Florence	26329
Goodman, Rebecca L.	506 S. John	Florence	26842
Henderson, Annie Mae	1006 E. Palmetto	Florence	25550
Hines, Eleise	1103 Kershaw	Florence	25611
Hines, Clara	905 E. Pine	Florence	25660
Hines, Lurlean	905 E. Pine	Florence	25661
Harvey, Leon O.	211 S. Gaillard	Florence	25664
Hart, A lberta	812 Ellis	Florence	25752
Hodge, Willie Lee	711 S. Church	Florence	25762

SIXTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

OUR GOAL: 200,000 REGISTERED VOTERS

1. Precinct or Ward Number **Ward #2**

2. Place of Voting **Harllee School**

3. County **Florence**

4. Your name, address and certificate no.

Name of persons you take to register.	Address		Certificate no.
Hines, Susanna	500 Charles	Florence	25987
Henicks, James Jr.	306 Kemp	Florence	26022
Henningham, Ida V.	Rt. 4	Florence	26202
Holmes, James A.	418 Ballard	Florence	26729
Harrison, Leila Mae	413 Kemp	Florence	26811
Henecks, Mable	410 Kemp	Florence	26983
Ivery, Charkes	1116 E. Cox	Florence	26119
Johnson, Everlena	First Ave.	Florence	25572
Johnson, Hattie L.	507 Ballard	Florence	25623
James, Victoria	508 Charles	Florence	26229
King, Mable Marie	1204 E. Pine	Florence	25641
Kirby, Pauline	1006 E. Cox	Florence	25673
Mack, Starlena	506 Howard	Florence	25580
Milo, James C.	241 Ravenel	Florence	26710
Middleton, Melvin M.	707 Kershaw	Florence	26960
McGill Gathline	811 E. Pine	Florence	25621
McCall Arthur	502 Jarrott	Florence	24794
McCloster, Cora	605 E. Walnut	Florence	26494
McCant, Alphonse	3rd Ave.	Florence	26934

SIXTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

OUR GOAL: 200,000 REGISTERED VOTERS

1. Precinct or Ward Number **Ward #3**

2. Place of Voting **Armory**

3. County **Florence**

4. Your name, address and certificate no.

Name of persons you take to register.	Address		Certificate no.
Hankins, Lessie S.	511 Marion	Florence	26735
Hicks, Harry	701 W. Darl.	Florence	26574
Hill, Louise	506 W. Sumter	Florence	26598
Harrison, James	510A Chase	Florence	26956
Johnson, Lubertha	1018 Sanborn	Florence	25307
James, Mattie Lou	208 Sanders	Florence	25568
Johnson, Julius Jr.	1016 Ingram	Florence	25594
Jackson, Edward	929 W. Ingram	Florence	25865
Johnson, Venus	1018 Ingram	Florence	25865
Jackson, Valerie	703 Carver	Florence	26007
Jenkinsm Annie Marie	1011 W. Marion	Florence	26160
James, Lillie Mae	806 N. Ingram	Florence	26531
Keith, Jerry Miah	345 N. Coit	Florence	25554
Kelly, Edward W.	811 Dixie	Florence	25771
Kelly, Abraham L.	1103 W. Sumter	Florence	26346
Kelly, Lillian B.	1103 W. Sumter	Florence	26358
Kelly, Liza	917 W. Sumter	Florence	26495
Kelly, Carrie Bell	1010 Carver	Florence	26587
Moses, Aline D.	401 N. Sanborn	Florence	26843
Mingo, Cornelious	1219 Dixie	Florence	26997

SIXTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

OUR GOAL: 200,000 REGISTERED VOTERS

1. Precinct or Ward Number **Ward #3**

2. Place of Voting **Armory**

3. County **Florence**

4. Your name, address and certificate no.

Name of persons you take to register.	Address		Certificate no.
Archie, Rembert	505 N. McQueen	Florence	25520
Bell, Bernice M.	915 N. Irby	Florence	25571
Barr, Willie	455 Priston	Florence	25889
Bacote, Fannie	911 Gladstone	Florence	25901
Bradley, Tereatha	913 W. Sumter	Florence	25999
Black, Margie	1713 Green	Florence	26093
Brown, Eugene Jr.	611 Carver	Florence	26098
Brown, Pearlena	611 Carver	Florence	26459
Bacote, Willie Lee	911 Gladstone	Florence	26516
Bland, Nosia	352 W. Marion	Florence	26596
Brown, Margaret	804 Gladstone	Florence	26947
Bland, Horace	352 W. Marion	Florence	26955
Cummings, Eula Mae	556 N. Alexander	Florence	25544
Charles, Josephine	455 N. Dargan	Florence	25472
Caldwell, Julia	512 Carver	Florence	25637
Cusack, Annie M.	1220 E. Pine	Florence	25644
Capers, George Sr.	811 Green	Florence	26087
Cooley, Fred C.	359 W. Marion	Florence	26403
Crenshaw, John	906 Gladstone	Florence	26428
Cyrus, Willie	602 W. Marion	Florence	26430
Charles, Annie B.	1004 Harmony	Florence	26371

SIXTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

OUR GOAL: 200,000 REGISTERED VOTERS

1. Precinct or Ward Number **Ward #3**

2. Place of Voting **Armory**

3. County **Florence**

4. Your name, address and certificate no.

Name of persons you take to register.	Address		Certificate no.
Coleman, Weds	506 W. Sumter	Florence	26663
Deas, Janie	Sumter Street	Florence	25368
Davis, Marion	710A- Green	Florence	26081
Davis, Martha	710A-Green	Florence	26091
Diggs, Wm. P.	Irby Ext.	Florence	26673
Edwards, Martha	910 Layton	Florence	25686
Felton, Carol G.	925 W. Sumter	Florence	26096
Freeman, Elease B.	708A- Green	Florence	26103
Funderburk, Ruby	913 W. Sumter	Florence	26173
Farmer, Peggy H.	601 W. Darlington	Florence	26360
Fortune, Annie M.	309 N. Sanborn	Florence	26368
Fortune, Allen E.	309 N. Sanborn	Florence	26370
Gupple, Wm. J.	917 E. Cheves	Florence	25309
Grant, Louvenia	1027 W. Marion	Florance	25968
Hall, Edna	559 Chase	Florence	25446
Haynesworth, Allie	900 Gladstone	Florence	25543
Holleway, Hazel W.	W. Darl. Ext.	Florence	25832
Harrison, Willie D.	407 W. Sumter	Florence	26105
Henicks, Ethel Mae	1206 Harmony	Florence	26442
Haynesworth Mae L.	1208 Harmony	Florence	26443
Harrison, Viola	407 W. Sumter	Florence	26447

JUN 15 1964

17 Robinson ST
Sumter, S.C.
6-13-64

WB
RTB
B.W.

Dear Mr. McCain:-

The project we are working on now is to coordanate all groups in every community for next month drive for more voters. We have organized local groups to have a special center, where people may look to for information the year around. It is important that this be done to build interest and to have some place where they can seek information at all times. We are asking each community to have a paid staff worker to furnish information to deal with more than voter registration as to job's streets, slum clearance, police brutality and old age assistance. and dropouts. The main reason is to organize the Negro community 100% to take part and participate in all matters, concerning Negro community these persons must consist of all walk of life, giving them a part in a community project

This center is To be supported by all persons involved, it also carry a membership due. To help maintain expense, Church's are asked To contribute, we are asking Teacher's, preachers and people To Volunteer Their skill To help make This project a success, They will also be engage in Trades, Typing, Working with P.T.A. To bring about a better understanding in School's with problem children, also To Secure as many un-employed persons as possible To work, To have a board of directors To deal with all matters Concerning This center. This project goal is To prove To The people That This project is worthwhile, and will deal with all matters pertaining To local Communities.

Attempting To organize These groups has been favorable so far, This will have great bearings on The Negro Community as To who is The leader, The leaders will be Those who participate in This project.

Respectfully,

Frank B. Robinson

Rec'd 6/18/64

June 16, 1964

Dr. R. N. Beck
Sixth Congressional District
Voter Education Project
403 North Dargan Street
Florence, South Carolina

RE: VEP 4-12

Dear Dr. Beck:

Thank you for the comprehensive reports which were forwarded to us recently.

We would appreciate your forwarding the reports on Georgetown and Dillon counties when they are available.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Barbara I. Whitaker
Research Assistant

BIW:js

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: Dillon County Voter Education Project

Period covered by this report: From May 1 to June 1

Person reporting Rev. J. W. Robinson

202 West Jackson Street	Dillon	Dillon	S. C.
Street Address	City	County	State

Date submitted: June 16, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Dillon County

Ward, Beat, etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 150

Number instructed at home 60

Number instructed at clinics None

Number instructed other places 250 a. Specify places Churches

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 105

Number successfully registered by this project this week 234

Number denied registration by this project this week Unknown

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means 300 (Estimate)

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate None

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start

Number of workers in the compaign 17

Remarks

SIXTH CONGRESSION DISTRICT
VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Rev. J. W. Robinson, Chairman

Total persons registered during
month of May, 1964-unknown

County Registration Books were
open May 4, 5, and 6.

SIXTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

OUR GOAL 100,000 REGISTERED VOTERS

1. Precinct or Ward Number

2. Place of Voting

3. County Dillon

4. Your name, address and certificate no.

Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.
Deborah Burell	405 W. Main St.	1079
Annie Kate McLain	Dillon, S. C.	2012
Edmond McLain	" "	2003
Lucious Flemming	Latta, S. C.	961
Carlie Platt, Jr.	"	1040
D. Benton	"	937
Mary Bethea	"	129
Helen Bethea	"	967
Laura Bethea	"	962
Queen Ester Thompson	"	963
Edna Johnson	"	972
Cherrie Cox	"	963
Alberta Evans	"	938
Mattie Mace	"	942
Deora Willis	"	973
Mary Etta Gadson	"	273
Theresa Davis	"	967
Louchie Flemings	"	961
Henry Mack	"	964
Beatrice Fleming	"	968

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Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.
Ollie Home	Johns Avenue	1962
Jessie Mae Williams	1305 E. Calhoun	487
Ruth Lucille Harmon	108 Center St.	1070
Bernice Page	W. Jackson St.	1094
Willie M. Bethea	Pine St.	1093
Sarah M. Johnson	504 5th Avenue	1033
Ethel Jane Palmer	5th Ave., Dillon	1004
Mary Lou Ester McRae	5th Ave., Dillon	1005
Bronson Brown	W. Roosevelt St.	1023
Virginia Carmichael	Rt. 3, Dillon	177
Fredoria Reaves	"	186
Annie Ellis	"	181
Arneatha Rogers	"	180
D. C. Colvin	"	178
Emma M. Carmichael	"	175
Agnes Jackson	"	183
Sally Smith	"	179
Marie Hayes	"	176
Doretha Bethea	Rt. 2, Dillon	990
Ethel Harrison	Latta, S. C.	1036

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3. County **Dillon**

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Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.
Lua Berther McLain	Dillon, S. C.	510
Edella Breeden	Johns Ave.	2011
Mamie Davis	Hickory St.	2002
Sadie L. McQueen	East Dillon	2004
Maggie Porter	Latta, S. C.	1041
E. M. Porter	"	1042
James Munlin	Mullins Highway	1977
Lucinda Eaddy	Rt. 1, Box 179, Ford	281
Bonnie Jones	Rt, Box 165, Ford	282
Emma S. German	Berry Street, Latta	995
Lottie M. Legette	208 Chapel St., Latta	996
Pearley J. Mack	W. Roosevelt St.	1108
Lee David Page	N. 5th Avenue	1109
Madge McEachern	Pine Street	1067
Lureather Crosoland	3rd Avenue	1053
Lillie M. Toney	N. 1st Sv.	1025
Roosevelt McEachern	Rt. 1., Pine St.	1054
James Washington	Pine Street	1062
Neversena Faulk	1940	E. Main St.
Renzalo Mack	Little Rock, S. C.	283

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Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.
Moses McFadden	708 W. Main Street	1101
Brenda McLellan	107 Bass St, Dillon	1026
Sallie Mae McKenzie	216 Easterling St.	1992
Closetha Johnson	Latta,S. C.	1028
Lee Daniel Page	605 N. 5th Ave.	1108
Clarence Johnson	Edward Street	1013
Patricia A. Wallace	Rt. 2, Dillon	500
Ruby Mae Wright	Rt. e, 2, Dillon	499
John L. Page	204 Dargan St.	509
Agnes Jackson	Rt. 3, Dillon	183
Aretha Rogers	Rt. 3, Dillon	180
Annie N. Ellis	Rt. 3, Dillon	181
Martha Smuthernam	112 Taylor St.	437
Emma Hammond	114 Beaufort St.	1114
Lula Jane Bethea	Rt. 1, Box 260	138
Willie Swinney	500 W. Dargan St.	1064
Margaret Barnes	1212 E. Dargan St.	457
Rosa B. Bain	301 John St.	19903
Martha Stewart	105 Hickory St.	1995
Rose Ann Baker	1109	Rt. 1, Dillon

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Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.
Herbert Ford	Little Rock, S. C.	284
Hattie McNeil	"	285
Gannie O. Ford	P. O. Box 55, Lake View	758
Fannie Ford	" 343	830
Easter Kelly	P. O. Box 364 "	831
Alberta P. Ford	P. O. Box 87 "	841
Christeen Hayes	P. O. Box 208 "	864
Lena Ford	Rt., Box 205 "	865
James M. Ford	P. O. Box 33 "	872
Cleveland Powell	" " "	880
Daisy Ford	Rt. 1, Nichols, S. C.	742
Oneita Ford	"	744
Myra Frazier	"	747
Ernestine Coleman	Rt. 1., Lakeview	798
Louise Reaves	"	816
Louise Goddy	Rt. 1, Nichols, S. C.	883
L. C. Coleman	Rt. 1, Lake View	908
William Logan	Rt. 1, Nichols	788
Argestine Gilchrist	"	760
Lois Logan	"	912

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Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.
Levada Ford	Rt. 1. Nichols	892
Simon Jacobs, Jr.	"	842
Esther Ford	"	803
Pearlina Ellerbee	P. O. Box 75, Ford	278
Violet Jones	Rt. 1, Box 105, Nichols	766
Dorothy J. Hayes	Rt. 1, Lake View	751
Queen Strickland	Rt. 1, Nichols	765
Arnetha Nance	"	782
Jenette Gaddy	Rt. 1, Box 50,Nichols	757
Faye C. Carmichael	Rt. 1, Box 107	756
Eunice Johnson	"	789
Maggie Ford	"	793
Lizzie F. Page	Rt. 1, Box 4, Lake View	797
Marcella Faulk	"	799
Elizabeth Buie	"	774
Buthessa Shorter	" Nichols, S. C.	806
Thomasina Gilchrist	Rt. 1., Lake View	817
Maggie Ford	Rt. 1, Lake View	819
Curtey Nance	Rt. 1, Nichols	776
Ines Nance	P. O. Box 106, Lake V.	783

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Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.
Mamie Lee	Rt. 1, Lake View	843
Evelyn Bryant	P. O., Lake View	837
Robert Ford	Rt. 1, Nichols	735
Allean Bethea	P. O. Box 344, Lake V.	737
Alma Lucy Mack	Little Rock, S. C.	286
Fannie Lloyd	"	292
Viola Parnell	"	295
Blanche Townsend	"	261
Janie Manning	"	47
Denise E. Clark	"	512
Aulonia Lewis	Rt. 3, Dillon, S. C.	243
Cora Fields	"	253
Fannie West	"	248
Ollie Gaddy	"	249
Laura Breeden	"	250
Annie B. Alford	707 W. Harrison, Dillon	1116
John C. Williams	118 Lincoln St., Dillon	2007
Corletha Ownes	Rt. 1, Hamer, S. C.	391
George Ownes	"	128
Samuel Bethea	210 N. 11th Ave, Dillon	1128

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Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.
Annie Liza McGrae	E. Calhoun, Dillon	2008
Carolyn McNeil	Rt. 1, Box 21B, Dillon	1125
Cora Lee McKenzie	302 6th Ave., Dillon	490
Marine Adams	Townsend St., Dillon	1975
Lillie B. Crosland	102 Lincoln St.	1976
Enoch Davies	700 W. Calhoun	1065
Rufus Ford	Rt. 3, Dillon	135
Willie B. Ford	Rt., Lake View, S. C.	153
Carolyn Pittman	Dillon, South Carolina	1069
Vennia T. Wells	200 N. 11th Ave.	1085
Flora McLellan	Rt. 1, Hamer, S. C.	125
John Hamilton	Rt. 3, Dillon	241
Rose Marie Hamilton	"	240
Mathie Manning	"	1949
Geneva Campbell	211 Hardy St.	1944
Lizzie J. Pittman	1207 Hardy St., Dillon	1945
Emma Hamer	1516 Dargan St.	1946
Rosa Gadson	309 Hardy St.	1947
Dorothy Godbolt	1514 E. Dargan St.	1948
Cahterine Fields	116 Johns Ave.	1950

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Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.
Mary Lee Manning	1906 E. Dargan, Dillon	1951
Mary Elizabeth Townsent	106 Lincoln St.	1954
Odessa Headen	117 Lincoln St.	1955
Faye Ellerbe	115 Lincoln St.	1957
Gib Bethea	501 N. 5th St.	1072
Georgia M. Hamilton	1507 E. Dargan	1961
Margaret Planter	102 N. 1st Ave	995
Elizabeth Brown	Rt. 1, Box 14	996
Ulyssee Madison	Rt. 1, Box 14	903
Tommy Campbell	926 S. 9th Ave.	1007
Jannie Johnson	610 W. Main St.	949
Margaret Graham	206 N. 11th Ave	1006
Beria Carmichael	Rt. 1, Hamer	364
Annie Mae McInnis	201 W. Jackson St.	908
Tereatha Bethea	502 W. Main St.	981
Bille Joe Spiver	1008 E. Dargan St.	1896
Maggie Cabbagestalk	501 W. Washington St.	982
Iris L. McQueen	Rt. 1, Dillon	986
Queenie Bell Townsend	Rt. 1, Box 29, Dillon	988
Emma Thosam	Rt. 1, Box 19, Dillon	989

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Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.
Gloria Gene Smiley	310 N. 9th Ave	1000
Annie B. Brown	504 W. Main St.	1001
Mae Beulah McClenon	606 W. Main St.	1002
Mary Lee Sellers	308 N. 9th Ave	999
Edith Brown	405 W. Roosevelt St.	1003
Thelma Manning	503 S. 9th Ave.	994
Essie Bethea	Latta, S. C.	161
Rebecca Bethea	"	162
Luvenia Harrison	"	868
Carrie Abraham	"	984
Elizabeth Lewis	"	985
Julia Abraham	"	966
William J. Bonner	"	992
Lezzett Dozier h	"	1000
William Walter	"	1014
Mary Louise Davis	"	945
Hester Smalls	"	946
Carrie Lee McEachern	"	948
Ophelia Kinston	"	959
Frances Adams	"	958

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2. Place of Voting

3. County **Dillon**

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Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.
Yvonne Logan	Latta, S. C.	941
Anna Battle	"	951
Gertrude Stanton	"	135
Charity Dingle	"	378
Elizabeth Johnson	"	955
Ardin Manning	"	1004
Lusella Jones	Rt. 1, Nichols	882
Garrie Rogers	Rt. 1., Lake View	833
Annie Mae Crawford	"	835
Elizabeth Lee	903	Rt. 1, Nichols
Mildred Lewis	Rt. 1, Nichols	898
Robert Buie	Rt. 1, Lake View	154
Willie B. Ford	"	153
Annie Me Ford	"	155
Murray, Lurraine	P.O. "	808
Edward Murray	" "	809
M. Emily Moses	" "	810
Henrietta McClain	" "	876
Rosalie Townsent	" "	878
Clara B. Posey	Lake View	879

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Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.
C. C. Hayes	Rt. 1, Nichols	825
L. H. Gladger	"	824
Clara Thompson	"	856
Earlina Page	Box 366, Lake View	911
Edwards, Bessie	9th Ave, Dillon	431
Maudestine McNair	1st Ave, Dillon	993
Gladys Bethea	Lake View	1002
Annie Mae Carmichael	" "	1001
Ervin Page	Little Rock	296
John Henry Smith	Hamer, S. C.	237
Flora Whittenton	" "	357
Willie B. Legette	P. O., Dillon	439
Mabel Manning	P. OBox, Dillon	1906
Annie Mae Calhoun	Little Rock	99

Sixth Congressional District

County Dillon

State briefly the history of registration among Negro people in your county from August, 1963 to February, 1964. A group of persons interested in the registration of our citizenry, welded themselves as a unit for Negro betterment in this area.

List the names and addresses of county officers

Rev. J. W. Robinson, Chairman
202 West Jackson Street
Dillon, South Carolina

Miss A. B. Rowell, Secretary
407 North 11th Avenue
Dillon, South Carolina

List the names and addresses of precinct and ward leaders.
These are listed on enclosure

1. What is the attitude of the registrar's office toward Negro registration? If that attitude is hostile, specify what actions are taken by registrar personnel manifesting this hostility?

Affable

2. Detail any harassment or intimidation of registrants or registration workers by public officials.

None

3. If there have been overt indications of resistance on the part of the white community in general to Negro registration, specify what specific form this resistance has taken.

None

4. What reasons are given by people who refuse to participate as prospective registrants in the registration program?

Ignorance and lack of knowledge regarding the ballot

DILLON COUNTY ORGANIZATION
by
PRECINCTS

PRECINCT	CHAIRMAN	SECRETARY
West Dillon	Mrs. M. Butler 504 N. 5th Ave. Dillon, S.C.	Mrs. U. Jones
South Dillon	Mr. D.C. Carter	Miss N. Crosland
East Dillon	Mrs. Whittington	Miss M.A. Bethea
Little Rock	Mrs. E. Blackwell	Mr. Leo Smith
New Harley & Latta	Mr. Allen Johnson	Mrs. Davis
Lake View	Rev. C. Graves	Miss S. Nance Mrs. Doris Johnson

COUNTY OFFICERS

Chairman: Rev. J.W. Robinson
Vice Chairman: Rev. C. Graves
Secretary: Miss A. B. Rowell, 407 11th Ave.
Treasurer: Rev. E.A. Spann

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: Marlboro County Registration Drive

Period covered by this report: From May 1 to June 1

Person reporting Frank E. Cain, Jr.

(400 Myrtle) Box 592	Bennettsville	Marlboro	S. C.
Street Address	City	County	State

Date submitted: June 17, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Marlboro County

[illegible], Beat, etc.

Ward, Beat, etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass None

Number instructed at home None

Number instructed at clinics 47

Number instructed other places _____ a. Specify places _____

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week Will forward later

Number successfully registered by this project this week _____

Number denied registration by this project this week Unknown at this time

a. Reason for denial _____

Number contacted by other means _____

a. Specify means _____

Number refusing to participate _____

a. Reason for refusing to participate _____

Number of persons successfully registered since the start _____

Number of workers in the compaign 10

Remarks A voter registration project has not been active in this county on an organized basis in the last fie years, except for what the NAACP has been able to accomplish, which has been limited.

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: Georgetown County Voter Education Project

Period covered by this report: From May 1 to June 1

Person reporting Mr. Alex Alford

P. O. Box 400	Georgetown	Georgetown	S. C.
Street Address	City	County	State

Date submitted: June 13, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Georgetown County

Ward, Beat, etc.	Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 250

Number instructed at home 110

Number instructed at clinics None

Number instructed other places 700 a. Specify places Churches

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week Not known

Number successfully registered by this project this week 128

Number denied registration by this project this week 15

a. Reason for denial Could not qualify

Number contacted by other means None

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate None

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start Number has not been ascertained.

Number of workers in the compaign 64

Remarks

SIXTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

GEORGETOWN COUNTY

Mr. Alex Alford, Chairman

Total persons registered during
month of May-128

County Registration Books were
open May 4, 5, and 6.

SIXTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

OUR GOAL 100,000 REGISTERED VOTERS

1. Precinct or Ward Number

2. Place of Voting

3. County Georgetown

4. Your name, address and certificate no.

Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.
Edward L. Grate, Jr.	Rt. 3, Box 28, Hemingway, S. C.	
Mrs. Wilhemina Grey	Rt 3, Box 337, " "	
Lawrence Green	Rt. 3, Hemingway, S. C.	
Thomas Gray, Jr.	Rt. 3, Box 28, Hemingway, S. C.	
Mary Magree Green	Rt. 3, Box 324, Hemingway, S. C.	
Willie Hannah	Rt. 3, Hemingway, S. C.	
Louise Holloway	Rt. 3, Box 81, Hemingway, S. C.	
Mr. Eddie Kearson	Rt. 3, Box 41G, Hemingway, S. C.	
Azalee L. Mention	Rt. 3, Box 122, Hemingway, S. C.	
Fulton Mention	Rt. 3, Hemingway, S. C.	
Allean Murphy	Rt. 3, Box 85-B, Hemingway, S. C.	
Capers Murphy	Rt. 3, Box 85, Hemingway, S. C.	
Leverne Melvin	Rt. 3, Box 309-A, Hemingway, S. C.	
Thomas E. Mention	Rt. 3, Box 51, Hemingway, S. C.	
Arthur Mention	" " "	
Genell Myers	Rt. 3, Box 227, Hemingway, S. C.	
Elizabeth Palmer	Rt. 3, Hemingway, S. C.	
Joseph Palmer	" " " "	
Corine Palmer	" " " "	
James Palmer	" " " "	

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Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.
James Moody		
Josephine Moody		
Abraham Nelson	Pawleys Island, S. C.	
Anna Nelson		
Marian C. Nelson	Pawleys Island, S. C.	
Ollie Carr	Rte 3, Box 227-A, Hemingway, S. C.	
Freddie L. Davis	Rte 2, Hemingway, S. C.	
Preston Becksman	Rte. 3, Box 21	
Moses E. Ford	Rte. 3, Box 38-A, Hemingway, S. C.	
Mrs. Mattie S. Ford	Rte 2, Box 134	
Kaminski Ellis	Rte 3, Box 21	
Mable Kerson	Rte. 3, Box 91, Hemingway, S. C.	
Lillie Kearson	Rte . 3, Box 41-G, Hemingway, S. C.	
Eva Mae Lawrence	Rte. 3, Box 45, Hemingway, S. C.	
Amos Mention	Rte 3, Box 120-E, Hemingway, S. C.	
Gladys Mention	Rte 3, Box , Hemingway, S. C.	
Mack Mention	Rte 3, Box 141, Hemingway, S. C.	
Sarah Mention	Rte 3, Box 20-A, Hemingway, S. C.	
Karthalmine Harper	329 Emanuel St., Georgetown, S. C.	
Herbert K. Knox	330 Emanuel St., Georgetown, S. C.	

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2. Place of Voting

3. County Georgetown

4. Your name, address and certificate no.

Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.
Blondell B. Knox	330 Emanuel Street, G'town, S. C.	
Louise H. Laurimore	405 Taylor St., G'town, S. C.	
Ernestine Laurimore	"	"
Vivian M. Moses	314 Emanuel St. Georgetown, S. C.	
Thomas Moses	"	"
Lula Moses	321 Emanuel St., G'town, S. C.	
Ida Belle Nelson	610 Henry St., G'town, S. C.	
Lucille Sheffield	1701 Front St., G'town, S. C.	
Alexander Simmons		
Carletta Sindab	108 G Street, G'town, S. C.	
Eddie Tayler	307 Hawkins St., G'town, S. C.	
Rebecca Whagg	326 Taylor St., G'town, S. C.	
Benzena V. Wilds	1719 Frong St., G'town, S. C.	
Beaulah Young ~~1922~~	1922 Winyah, G'town, S. C.	
Blondel Deas	Pl'ville, S. C.	
Lillian Deas	Rt. 1, Box 12, Pl'ville, S. C.	
Florence Drayton	Pl'ville, S. C.	
Ethel Drayton	"	"
Hannah T. Deas	"	"
Pauline Deas	"	"
Robert Drayton,	Rt. 1, Box 85, Pl'ville, S. C.	

SIXTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

OUR GOAL 100,000 REGISTERED VOTERS

1. Precinct or Ward Number

2. Place of Voting

3. County **Georgetown**

4. Your name, address and certificate no.

Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.
Mary Brane	Rt. 2, Box 153, Maryville, S. C.	
Mr. Peter Brown	Rt. 2, Box 148, Maryville, S. C.	
Ida Mae Smith	1702 S. Fraser St. Georgetown, S. C.	
Eva Alston	Box 157, Murrells Inlet, S. C.	
Louise H. Cooper	Murrells Inlet, S. C.	
Mary H. Collins	Sandy Island, S. C.	
Annie Carr		
Betty J. Collins	Sandy Island, S. C.	
Onitha Elliott	Box 84, Murrells Inlet, S. C.	
James Frasier		
Virginia Gray		
Ellen C. Harry		
Sarah B. Herriatt	Sandy Island, S. C.	
Jessie M. Herriott	Sandy Island, S. C.	
Doretha M. Huges	Box 201, Murrells Inlet, S. C.	
Judge James, Jr.		
Vianna B. Judge		
Earline Keith		
Staffard Lance		
Margaret L. Lee		

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Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.
Emily Nesbitt	Box 83, Murrells Inlet, S. C.	
Janie L. Nesbitt	" " " "	
Joanna Pyatt	Sandy Island, S. C.	
Samuel Pyatt	Sandy Island, S. C.	
Frances Pyatt	Sandy Island, S. C.	
Rose Pyatt	Sandy Island, S. C.	
Viola R. Parrish	Box 192, Murrells Inlet, S. C.	
Arthr Nesbitt		
Ervin Pickett		
Rose Russell	Box 86, Murrells Inlet, S. C.	
Minuss Tucker	Sandy Inlet, S. C.	
King Morris Singleton	Murrells Inlet, South Carolina	
John Singleton, Jr.	Murrells Inlet, S. C.	
Mable Sparkman	Rte. 1, Box 91, Murrells, Inlet, S. C.	
Essie Mae Tucker	Sandy Island	
Rebecca Washington	Box 62, Murrells, Inlet, S. C.	
Josephine Washington	Sandy Island, S. C.	
Ruthie Williams		
Theresa Weathers	Sandy Island, S. C.	
Gatherl Lee M. Turher	Rte. 3, Box 45	

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Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.
Nerville Ford	Rt. 1, Pl'ville, S. C.	
Harrison Ford, Jr.	" " " "	
Viola Ada Ford	Rt. 1, Box 23, Pl'ville, S. C.	
Eddie Ford	Rt. 1, Box 12, Pl'ville, S. C.	
Mildrew D. Gibson	319 S. Candyon St., G'town, S. C.	
Mr. Elia Barber, Jr.	321 Emanuel St., G'town, S. C.	
Camille M. Barber	" " "	
Ruth Blair	317 S. Candyon St., G'town, S. C.	
Addie B. Evans	Georgetown, S. C.	
David Funny, Sr.	233 Emanuel St., G'town, S. C.	
Annie M. Grant	319 Gilbert St., G'town, S. C.	
Clara F. Gourdine	221 S. Candyon St., G'town, S. C.	
Ferby Holmens, Jr.	330 Emanuel St., G'town, S. C.	
Alice Franklin	Rt. 2, Hemingway, S. C.	
Annie Frasier	Rt. e, Box 79, Hemingway, S. C.	
Edward L. Grate	Rt. 3, Box 134-A, Hemingway, S. C.	
James L. Gause	Rt. 3, Box 130 " "	
Foster S. Greene	Rte 3, Hemingway, S. C.	
Olean Frankes	" " "	
Daisy L. Green	Rt. 3, Box 90-A, Hemingway, S. C.	

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Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.
Luana Rogers	**Rte. 3, Hemingway, S. C.**	
Jessie Lee Sumpter	**Rte. 3, Hemingway, S. C.**	
Sophia Sumpter	**" " "**	
Ward Sumpter	**" Box 226, Hemingway, S. C.**	
Ben Taylor	**Rte. 3, Box 24, Hemingway, S. C.**	
Cathleen Taylor	**Rte. 2, Box 24, Hemingway, S. C.**	
Harold Taylor	**" " " "**	

Sixth Congressional District

County Georgetown

State briefly the history of registration among Negro people in your county from August, 1963 to February, 1964. The Negroes in this county have always been interested in voter registration. Forty-four % of the total number of registered voters are Negroes.

List the names and addresses of county officers
Mr. Alex Alford, Chairman
P. O. Box 400
Georgetown, South Carolina

List the names and addresses of precinct and ward leaders.
These are listed on enclosure

1. What is the attitude of the registrar's office toward Negro registration? If that attitude is hostile, specify what actions are taken by registrar personnel manifesting this hostility?

Agreeable

2. Detail any harassment or intimidation of registrants or registration workers by public officials.

None

3. If there have been overt indications of resistance on the part of the white community in general to Negro registration, specify what specific form this resistance has taken.

None

4. What reasons are given by people who refuse to participate as prospective registrants in the registration program?

Indifference- do not know the value of the ballot

GEORGETOWN, S.C.

27 Precincts

12,100 (44%) Negro Registrants

In the following listings, the name appearing first is the name of the chairman, the second name is vice-chairman, the third name is secretary. If there is a fourth name, that is the name of the treasurer.

City I

Sam Hudson
Marcus Richardson
Walter Fraser

II

Alex Alford
Mingo Spann
Ida Bell Singleton

III

Samuel Campbell
English Dentley
Walter Gaillard

IV

Rev. B. Frost
Alford Barrentine
Louise Pinckney

V

All White

VI

All White

Snow Hill

Rev. Lawrence LeSeine
Frank Vanderhorst
Annie Lawrence

Santee

Henry Moultrie
Willie Kennedy
Julia H. Anderson
Don Livingstone

Choppee

Rev. Daniel Giles
James Richards
Viola Lawrence
James Green

Maryville (VI)

Andrew Brown
Thomas Campbell
Pearlene Brown
Sadie Haynes

Pennyroyal

Joe Evans
Willie Grant
Dorothy Moultrie
Henry Grant

Pawley's Island

Herman Brown
Buster Washington
Betty Murray
John Dennison

Plantersville, S.C.

Eddie Morant
Fred Ford, Sr.
Arthur Morant
Cephus Dennison

Griers

Noah Davis
Rev. Larry Moore
Mary Sumter
Rose Curry

Sampit

William Green
Ross Stafford
David Wragg
Juanita Rhue

Pleasant Hill

Aziller Mention
Amos Mention
Willie Harrison

Folly Grove

Allen Walker
James Gray
Ben Tiller

Andrews, S.C.

Filmore Grant
William Brown
Calvin J. Alford

Spring Gulley

Isaiah King
Willie Hemmingway
Pearlie Mae Green
Florie Anderson

Murrells Inlet

Prince Washington
M.I. Tucker
Francis Pigatt
Louise Tucker

Sixth Congressional District

County Marlboro

State briefly the history of registration among Negro people in your county from August, 1963 to February, 1964. **Registration has been spotty and unorganized.**

List the names and addresses of county officers

Frank Cain, Jr., President
Box 592
Bennettsville, S. C.

Edward C. McLeod, Secretary
204 King Street
Bennettsville, South Carolina

List the names and addresses of precinct and ward leaders.

Copy will be furnished

1. What is the attitude of the registrar's office toward Negro registration? If that attitude is hostile, specify what actions are taken by registrar personnel manifesting this hostility?

Attitude is not one of encouragement, but not hostile

2. Detail any harassment or intimidation of registrants or registration workers by public officials.

No harassment or intimidation has been detected here.

3. If there have been overt indications of resistance on the part of the white community in general to Negro registration, specify what specific form this resistance has taken.

None

4. What reasons are given by people who refuse to participate as prospective registrants in the registration program?

Our problem here is primarily a matter of bringing the people together and this has been difficult because we have never had organization on the precinct levels.

Many Negroes have good industrial jobs and they see no need to be concerned about voting.

Many people believe they might lose their jobs if they try to register.

BW
WB
RTB
JW
JS

Rec'd 6/22

403 North Dargan Street
Florence, South Carolina
June 17, 1964

Mr. Wiley Branton, Director
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton:

We are submitting the Voter Registration reports for the counties of Georgetown and Dillon.

Georgetown, which has between 43 and 44% Negro registrants out of a total of 12,100 registered persons, did not list the certificate numbers for May 1964.

All of the county chairmen expect to have these certificate numbers in before the end of this month.

Yours truly,

R. N. Beck (J.W.)

R. N. Beck, M. D.

RNB/jw

Let's discuss!!

BW
WB
RTB
JD
JS

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JUN 22 1964

403 North Dargan Street
Florence, South Carolina
June 19, 1964

Mrs. Barbara I. Whitaker
Research Assistant
Voter Education Project
Room 206
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Whitaker:

Enclosed you will find a letter from Attorney Cain along with a list of the number of Negroes registered in Marlboro County this year.

They have listed 5 registrants for the month of May.

As you may glean from Mr. Cain's letter, you will see the up-hill climb that we must accomplish in order to break through this resistant attitude of the Registration Board Members in Marlboro County.

I am enclosing a list of the precinct leaders submitted by Mr. Frank Cain, Jr. I am also sending you the entire list of the total registrants from January 1964 through May 1964.

This information may be placed with the report of Marlboro County of the Sixth Congressional District.

I hope that you have received the Georgetown and Dillon Counties' report.

Very truly yours,

R. N. Beck, Jr.

R. N. Beck, M. D.

RNB/jw

Enc.

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BOARD OF REGISTRATION

COURTHOUSE

BENNETTSVILLE, S. C.

Brightsville

Sippie Douglas, Jr.	April	9577

Clio

Gladys Batie	Feb.	9490
Gertrude Kinney	Feb.	8800
James Woods, Jr.	April	9550

East Bennettsville

Evelyn Covington	April	9569
Lennie Mae Hagins	April	9568
Sara B. Hepburn	April	9559
Vernell E. Nichols	April	9564
Handy Pearson, Jr.	April	9551
Anzio Leggett	Feb.	8802
O'Netta Bethea	Feb.	8801
Anna B. Benbow	Feb.	9503
Darletha McColl	Feb.	9497
Mary A. Easterling	Feb.	9493
Essie Mae Bridges	Feb.	9492
Fred Douglas Bridges	Feb.	9491
Carne Pearson	Feb.	9487
Willie James Brown	Feb.	9486
Gene C. Grace	March	9523
William Randolph Malloy	March	9521
Isish W. Reed	March	9522
Annie Bell Williams	March	9531
Bessie Adams	March	9526
Gloria C. Butler	Jan.	8787
Jane Ann Easterling	Jan.	8790
Carrie Ervin Henri	Jan.	8782
Felix L. Stevens, Jr.	Jan.	8789
Girlia B. Stevens	Jan.	8788

East McColl

Thelma C. Johnson	March	9519
Ada Jones	March	9520

McColl

Carolyn W. Little	Feb.	9502
Flossie Lee Brigman	Feb.	9500
Hattie Covington	Feb.	9488
Hattie Florence Brown	Jan.	8785

BOARD OF REGISTRATION

COURTHOUSE

BENNETTSVILLE, S. C.

South Bennettsville

Louise Bennett	April	9562
Thomas Bennett	April	9565

West Bennettsville

Josephine E. Jones	May	9587
R. D. Williams, Jr.	May	9582
Margaret Miles	May=	9585
Mary Ann Teresa Miles	May	9586
Ulysses Nichols	May	9592
Sylvia Rivers	April	9579
Willie J. Smith	April	9576
Walter Malichi, Jr.	April	9578
Eleanor Vermelle Brown	April	9570
Ethel Williams McCullough	April	9558
Willie J. McCullough	April	9561
Clara Swiney	April	9567
Sophronie Blair	April	9563
Celia Blair	April	9566
Carrie Ward	April	9557
Martha Ann Dixon	April	9552
Carrie Bernice McLain	April	9553
Rosa H. Dudley	Feb.	9509
Isabelle Malloy	Feb.	9504
Calista Adams	Feb.	9496
Mary Alice Williams	Feb.	9495
Sara G. Williams	Feb.	9494
Williard D. Abraham, Jr.	Feb.	9525
Dozier Brown	March	9530
Letha R. Richardson	March	9528½
Annie E. Allen	Jan.	8793
Presley Allen	Jan.	8794
Elease Bingham	Jan.	8781
Mack Brutus	Jan.	8783
Alene Edwards	Jan.	8784
Jimmie Lee Pearson	Jan.	8775
Prentiss Stubbs	Jan.	8796

MARLBORO COUNTY

VOTING PRECINCTS

1.	EAST BENNETTSVILLE	Isiah Malloy 413 College Height, Bennettsville Fred Adams, 36 First Avenue Bennettsville
2.	WEST BENNETTSVILLE	Edward C. McLeod, 205 King St., Bennettsville
3.	SOUTH BENNETTSVILLE	Luther Brown, 12 Lawson St., Bennettsville
4.	QUICK'S CROSS ROAD	Vade H. Qucik, Rte. 2, Box 113 Hamlet, N.C.
5.	WALLACE	Woodrow Blair, Rte. 1, Box Bennettsville
6.	BRIGHTSVILLE	
7.	ADAMSVILLE	Dan Pearson, 1, Bennettsville, S.C.
8.	McCOLL	John W. Rogers, P.O. Box 443, McColl, S.C.
9.	EAST McCOLL	Charlie Bethea, General Delivery, McColl, S.C.
10.	TATUM	Ed McCrae, General Delivery, Tatum, S.C.
11.	CLIO	Russell Kimery
12.	BROWNSVILLE	Walter Rogers, Rte. 1, Blenhim Hezekiah Ward, King St., Bennettsville, S.C.
13.	BLENHEIM	Willie Patterson, P.O. Box 32, Blenhim, S.C.
14.	RED HILL	Grover McQueen, Rte. 2, Box 436, Bennettsville, S.C.

FRANK E. CAIN, JR.
ATTORNEY AT LAW
203 MARKET STREET
BENNETTSVILLE, S. C.
TELEPHONE 479-2552

June 18, 1964

R. N. Beck, M. D.
403 No. Dargan Street
Florence, South Carolina

Dear Dr. Beck:

This will confirm our Telephone conversation this afternoon with reference to Voter Registration List for Marlboro County. In this connection I am pleased to forward you a Photostatic copy of the list furnished by the County Registration Board today. This list shows all Negroes who registered from January 1, 1964 through May 1964, by Precincts. The total number appearing on these two sheets is 68, which indicates that much work must be done in order to bring about the desired results.

We have a big meeting planned over here for next Wednesday Night at the American Legion Hut, and announcements are being mailed out tomorrow, June 19, to group leaders, ministers and others to bring the people together.

I am writing a separate letter to the Chairman of the Registration Board requesting that his office furnish us a signed statement or bill on the board's letterhead to be attached to Voucher. I didn't want him to have a copy of this letter so I am writing him on another letterhead.

I am also enclosing a copy of the names of Precinct Chairman which is on a rough draft. I will have it in proper form later and send you an Amended Copy.

With best regards, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

Frank E. Cain, Jr.

FECJR/c
Enclosures

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JUL 16 1964

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: Marion County Voter Education Project

Period covered by this report: From June 1 to July 1

Person reporting James A. Hodges

Rte. 2, Box 70	Mullins	Marion	S.C.
Street Address	City	County	State

Date submitted: July 5, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Marion County

[illegible]

Ward, Beat, etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 125

Number instructed at home 20

Number instructed at clinics None

Number instructed other places 300 a. Specify places Churches

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 200

Number successfully registered by this project this week 164

Number denied registration by this project this week 36

a. Reason for denial Could not read, no eyeglasses

Number contacted by other means None

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate None

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 323

Number of workers in the compaign 12

Remarks

SIXTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

OUR GOAL: 100,000 REGISTERED VOTERS

1. Precinct or Ward Number

2. Place of Voting East Mullins

3. County Marion

4. Your name, address and certificate no. Lucille Charles Valentine St. 1311

Name of persons you take to register.	Address	Certificate no.
Brunson, Eva Mae	E. End St.	1414
Louise Burroughs	Wine St.	1477
Grunson, George	Rt. 2	1496
Campbell, Claudette	Front St.	1250
Charles, Lucille	Valentine St.	1311
Campbell, Louise	Lowman St.	1335
Charles, Roscoe	Valentine St.	1360
Casey, Ethel	Dillon St.	1417
Ceo, Elizabeth	Lowman St.	1421
Campbell, Isaac J.	Front St.	1428
Crawford, Jack, Jr.	R.t 2	1465
Campbell, James M.	Front St.	1605
Cribb, Easter Mae	Barnes St.	1624
Davis, Addie	E. Lowman St.	1283
Floyd, Lorraine	Barnes, St.	1359
Ford, Gwendolyn	Rt. 2	1422
Ford, Flossie	Rt. 2	1424
Gerald, Mary Lois	Dixon St.	1246
Gore, Rubin G.	Rt. 2	1245
Gerald, Katie E.	Dixon St.	1315
Gerald, Lucile A.	Rt. 2	1353

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4. Your name, address and certificate no. Geraldine Lewis Church St. 1367

Name of persons you take to register.	Address	Certificate no.
Grant, Ezel	Rt. 2	1415
Graves, Velma	Lowman St.	1420
Gilchrist, Robert	Oliver St.	1430
Green, James A.	Mullins St.	1433
Gilchrist, Annie G.	Rt. 2	1470
Gerald, Eula Mae	Buck St.	1530
Howard, Earl	Church St.	1297
Hamilton, Jimmy Lee	Lowman St.	1416
Howard, Roosevelt	Rt. 1	1443
Hodge, Helen	Rt. 2	1537
Johnson, Wm. Lee	Mullins St.	1121
Johnson, Clarence	Mullins St.	1455
Johnson, Jannie	Mullins St.	1457
Jordan, Annie	Rt. 2	1471
Jordan, Gary	Rt. 2	1473
Jordan, Edith L.	Rt. 2	1509
Lucas, Marie	S. Main St.	1128
Lewis, Johnnie	Dixon St.	1308
Lawrence, Willeanna	Lowman St.	1478
Leonard, Fannie E.	Church St.	1490
Leonard, Allie Mill	Church St.	1497

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2. Place of Voting West Mullins

3. County Marion

4. Your name, address and certificate no. Margaret L. Simmons Rt. 1 1539

Name of persons you take to register.	Address	Certificate no.
Anderson, Lillie J.	Rt. 3	1356
Abram, Lou Violet	Rt. 3	1473
Balckmon, William	Rt. 3	1272
Bowens, George, Jr.	Rt. 1	1324
Braddy, Ida	Rt. 3	1364
Bush, Eartha L.	Clark St.	1374
Bush, Miller	Clark St.	1375
Braddy, James	Rt. 3	1377
Bethea, Millie L	Rt. 1	1390
Brown, Mazie C.	Broad St.	1458
Brown, Robert	Broad St.	1456
Bennett, Gertrude	Cypress St.	1436
Berry, Esther M.	Rt. 3	1504
Brunson, Aggie Mae	Rt. 3	1534
Brunson, Elater	Rt. 3	1536
Campbell, Frances R.	Rt. 3	1193
Crawford, Grace	Laurel St.	1289
Campbell, Stacie Ann	Broad St.	1296
Campbell, Carrie Mae	Front St.	1310
Campbell, Henry Lee	Front St.	1316
Collington, Leroy	Gerald Alley	1394

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4. Your name, address and certificate no. Earnest Graves Rt. 1 1408

Name of persons you take to register.	Address	Certificate no.
Cuttino, James	Seaboard Ave	1402
Cribb, Howard	Rt. 3	1441
Davis, Catherine M.	Rt. 1	1224
Davis, Sarah Mae	Clark St.	1225
Davis, Nomia	Front St.	1302
Dixon, Letha	Liberty St.	1392
Davis, Willie	Rt. 1	1409
Davis, Vivian	Rt. 1	1410
Davis, Gladys R.	Gerald Alley	1453
Davis, Solomon	Bay St.	1504
Davis, James	Front St.	1507
Davis, Verneda	Front St.	1508
Foxworth, Margaret	Bay St.	1291
Ford, Dannie Mae	Cypress St.	1319
Fullard, Sarah	Bay St.	1320
Foxworth, Eugene	Seaboard Ave.	1337
Finklea, Minnie Ruth	Rt. 1	1411
Funderburk, LeRoy	Rt. 1	1485
Gilchrist, Romell	Seaboard Ave.	1116
Godfrey, Augusta	Buffkin Ave.	1136
Gerald, Bell Page	Smith St.	1148

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1. Precinct or Ward Number South Marion

2. Place of Voting Town Hall

3. County Marion

4. Your name, address and certificate no.

Name of persons you take to register.	Address	Certificate no.
McCummings, Ruby Lee	Georgetown St.	1467
McCummings, Nancy	S. Main St.	1471
McDonald, Rilla B.	Georgetown St.	1481
McGill, James R.	Marion Rt. 2	1558
Nelson, Fannie	Mullins St	1782
Nelson, Robert M.	Marion rt. 2	1755
Rowell, Laura	Marion, Rt. 3	1465
Rowell Corean B.	Marion Rt. 3	1466
Risher H. T.	S. Main St.	1470
Risher, Iola D.	S. Main	1580
Reaves, Lonnie	Waverlyway	1662
Rowell, Dack	S. Main	1713
Rowell, Luther	Marion, Rt. 3	1769
Reed, Nancy	Liberty st	1776
Smith, Sonstance	Liberty St	1507
Smith Isiah	Liberty St	1508
Shannon, Mattie	Middle St	1539
Smith, Luther	Dixon St.	1480
Smith, Marcenia	Spruce St	1611
Sanders, Tilman	Marion, Rt. 2	1614
Smith, Beauford	Lewis St.	1648

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4. Your name, address and certificate no.

Name of persons you take to register.	Address	Certificate no.
Kenny, Aretha	Euclic St	1534
Killens, Elains	Gregg St	1585
Legette, Alice	Rt. 3, Marion	1417
Legette, Rose Lee	Rt. 3, Marion	1418
Lide, Elizabeth C.	Gibson St.	1446
Legette, Mack	Bluff St	1582
Lester, Eliza Jane	Marion, Rt. 2	1594
Lane, Charlotte M.	Gregg St	1644
Moses, Clara Me	Marion, Rt. 1	1395
Munnerlyn, Henry	Stackhouse St	1443
Miles, James F.	Eutaw St	1495
Moore, Leila O.	Goldbolt St.	1592
Moody, Eaddy L.	Marion Rt. 2	1646
Miles, Mildred S.	Eutaw St.	1668
Moody, Pearl W.	Phillip St.	1679
Moody , David	Marion Rt. 2	1722
Moody , Aldertine	Marion, Rt. 2	1726
Moore Vernelle	Euclid St.	1759
McCummings, Willie	Georgetown St.	1457
McAlister, Lillie B.	Murry St.	1458
McCray, Shepherd Jr.	Reaves St	1462

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Name of persons you take to register.	Address	Certificate no.
Abraham. Mary L.	Rt. 1. Marion. S. C.	1535
Bryant. Maudell G.	Waverlyway st. Marion	1432
Barr, Willie Mae	Gregg St.	1472
Barnes, Walter	Liberty St.	1552
Bryant, Henry T.	Waverlyway St.	1570
Bowens, Henry	Dixon St	1623
Cambell, Margaret	Middle St	1547
Crawford Sallie	Phillips St.	1645
Donnelly, Lillian	Rt. I, Marion, S. C	1533
Davis Jphn	Liberty St.	1428
Davis Elizabeth	Liberty St	1436
Davis. Alice	Bluff St.	1440
Dixon,P.H.	Smith St.	1455
Dew,Emma L.	Gregg St.	1542
Davis, Virginia F.	Liberty St.	1551
DavisMildred N.	Eutaw St.	1591
Davis, Cicero C. Jr.	Eutaw St.	1597
Davis John M.	Green St.	41
Eaddy, Leola	Stackhouse St.	1572
Eaddy ,Jasper	Stackhouse	1574
Eaddy Addie	Stackhouse St.	1575

SIXTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

OUR GOAL: 100,000 REGISTERED VOTERS

1. Precinct or Ward Number South Marion

2. Place of Voting Town Hall

3. County Marion

4. Your name, address and certificate no.

Name of persons you take to register.	Address	Certificate no.
Eaddy, Andrew	Bluff St.	1576
Eaddy, Mary G.	Bluff St	1578
Eaddy, Virginia L.	Stackhouse St.	1678
Emanuel, Rachel	Rt. 2, Marion	1745
Fogan, Sars P.	Gibson St	1452
Ford, Alice Mae	Miles St.	1459
Franklin, Lizzie D.	Liberty St	1499
Finklea, Norris	Rt. 3, Marion	1633
Fling, Eslena M.	Bluff St.	1659
Frazier, Columbus	Gregg St	1680
Frazier, Rose	Gregg St.	1681
Finklea, Dorothy D.	Gregg St	1756
Jackson, Corrine E.	S. Main St.	1461
Jenkins, Annie Mae	Murry St.	1489
Johnson, Bertha S.	S. Main	1550
JonesOra	Liberty St	1601
Johnson, Sallie J,	Beverly St	1650
Johnson, Julie B.	Gregg St	1664
James, Calvin	Strawberry St.	1673
Johnson, Louise	Mill St.	1690
Johnson, James J.	Gregg St.	1777

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VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: Lee County Voters Association

Period covered by this report: From June 1 to July 1

Person reporting Joseph T. Thomas

P.O. Box 64	Lynchburg	Lee	S.C.
Street Address	City	County	State

Date submitted: July 9, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Lee County

Ward, Beat, etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 50

Number instructed at home 12

Number instructed at clinics None

Number instructed other places App. 100 a. Specify places Churches

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 15

Number successfully registered by this project this week 10

Number denied registration in this project this week 5

a. Reason for denial Illiterate

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate None

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 22

Number of workers in the campaign 18

Remarks

Bishopville, South Carolina
Lee County Voters Association
July 9, 1964

The following is a list of names that registered since last report.

Names	Numbers
Thomasenia Isaac	5344
Calpernia Solomon	6359
Julia Wilson	5761
Winton Solomon	3906
Laureen Duren	6360
Etheleen Kennedy	6361

Numbers Not Available

Lillie Anderson

Aletha Wilson

Sadie Moses

Ruth Parrett

H. W. Isaac, Chairman

Work-Shop of the Horry County
Progressive Association to be held with the Bethel A.M.E.
Church, Conway, South Carolina----------July 10, 1964

Mistress of Ceremony ---------- Mrs. Thales Brantley

PART I.

Song: Onward Christian Soldiers

Scripture Reading:---------- Rev. Fordham

Prayer ---------- Rev. T. Ford

Welcome and Introduction of Members of the----- Vice Pres.,
Horry County Progressive Association T. Brantley

Selection ---------- Quartet

Reading ---------- Thurmond White, Jr.

Briefing (current issues)---------- Cleveland Stevens
Advisor

Music ---------- The Manigo Sisters

Report from the Myrtle Beach Area -------- Rev. Weathers

Introduction of District Chairman -------- Dr. P. C. Kelly
(6th Congressional)

PART II.

In the hands of Dr. R. N. Beck

Final Remarks ---------- Elder T. O. Manigo

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JUL 16 1964

403 North Dargan Street
Florence, South Carolina
July 14, 1964

Mrs. Barbara I. Whitaker, Research Assistant
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street, Room 206
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Whitaker:

Enclosed you will find reports from two of the nine counties in the Sixth Congressional District, Marion and Lee. There is one more report due and that is for Florence County. These are the only three counties that had registration books open for the month of June. As soon as we get the Florence report, we will forward it on to you.

I am also enclosing a news article taken from the May 16, 1964 issue of the Florence Morning News concerning our registration drive for May.

I do know that Florence has registered approximately 80 additional persons during the month of June, but since this is vacation time, one of the officers has left the list of registrants and we have been unable to find them. However, we do hope to get this report in the mail to you very shortly.

Yours very truly,
R.N. Beck
R.N. Beck, Chairman
6th Congressional Dist. VEP
L.D.

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415 Register To Be Voters

There were 415 new voter registration certificates issued this month, the Florence County registration board announced. The registration books closed Friday.

In addition, many registration duplicates were issued for transfer of registered voters from precincts to precinct and from other counties to Florence County.

Of the 415 total, 205 Negroes and 210 white voters were registered. Negroes, spurred on by a new voter registration drive begun last week by civil rights groups in Florence, made a rush to the registration office in the county courthouse during the final week through Friday.

During the week, 76 Negroes and 51 white persons received certificates. Interest in voter registration was also heightened by the upcoming city council race set for May 26.

The registration books will open again for three days June 1.

Rec'd 7/25/64

July 19, 1964

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Dear Nooker: (McCain) NBB

I have not been able to get a report from the 5th and 6th Congressional District, so I got this information the best way that I could. Dr. Beck has not been able to give me the reports from the 6th Congressional District. Brown was not able to get his reports from the 5th Congressional District. I am meeting with Dr. Beck tomorrow (July 20th) also Brown is meeting with the 5th District on July 20th. The people given to us as contacts did not have this information either. We had to use our old method of telephoning and personal contact. These figures of persons registered are not accurate in all counties.

The understanding we have is that counties receiving these funds are to report to Dr. Beck, and Dr. Beck in turn is to send me the information. Unless this procedure is followed, as agreed to, I cannot get the information. After our meeting tomorrow I will let you know the outcome. I cannot get accurate reports unless this is adhered to. Each county is loosly organized, and causes quite a bit of duplicating. Beginning tomorrow I will visit all counties and Chairmen, to see that this will not happen again, and at the same time I am hopping to triple our voter registration this month.

Frank Robinson
NBB.

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17 Robinson ST
Sumter, S.C.
7-19-64

JUL 20 1964

Dear Mrs. Whitaker:

In reply to your letter as of June 16, concerning the Report from Dr. Beck. I have not received from Dr. Beck reports on time, and I had to get this information as I have done in the past. This does make a difference in making out report sheets, in making changes by each chairman or to report to Dr. Beck, and he was to send me this information, I have not received such information, however when they receive money to work in each community, a chairman was selected to make this report to Dr. Beck. I have discovered they have not been doing this, I will meet with Dr. Beck and ask that they

get their report to me on time. I do think that their project must be carried out, as we plan it, in order to make accurate reports to you. I will attempt to explain to you however.

When each 5th & 6th Congressional District receive their funds, they were to have each county chairman present and organize, and receive funds equally to work with. The chairman in each District should report to the District chairman, which is Dr. Beck 6th District, and Mr. Hail 5th District, and they are to send me a report, as they receive them. I have not received them, If these proposals are not carried out, it will be very difficult for me to make these reports. We are hoping that each congressional

District Chairman will correct this by refusing money to any not making these reports. I will meet with each b-s District Chairman next week to correct this situation.

Respectfully
Frank Robison

June 16, 1964

Mr. Frank Robinson
17 Robinson Street
Sumter, South Carolina

RE: VEP 4-12

Dear Mr. Robinson:

We have received and read with interest the letters you sent recently.

We received from Dr. Beck, reports for the month of May on the counties in the Sixth Congressional District. In each instance, the reports differed markedly from the one submitted earlier by you. Would you indicate to us the source for the reports submitted?

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Barbara I. Whitaker
Research Assistant

BIW:js

Done on 7/9/64

July 13, 1964

Mr. Frank Robinson
17 Robinson Street
Sumter, South Carolina

RE: VEP 4-12

Dear Mr. Robinson:

On June 16, we wrote you concerning reports received from you on the Sixth Congressional District for the month of May. As yet, we have received no reply.

It is of the utmost importance that we maintain accurate data in our files for our research purposes, and it is for this reason we ask you again to please indicate to us the source of the statistical reports submitted to us.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Barbara I. Whitaker
Research Assistant

BIW:js

File
Frank Robinson
Reports

JUL 20 1964

17 Robinson ST
Sumter, S.C.
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Dear Mr. Wiley Branton:

May I attempt to explain to you some of our Problems in 6- Congressional District, Not with me, but each leader in the community, I have received calls and letters from leaders in each community each county chairman complaining that they are not receiving equal amount of Founds, some claim they have not received any, some received $50.00, when they were supposed to receive equal proption, For each county chairman. Mr. Dimmery from Williamsburg County said he only received $50.00 from Dr. Beck, he has not cashed this check, I was elected to work with Dr. Beck 5-6 District, and was present when they agreed to give each District Chairman Equal amount of money, and they claim they are not getting it, makes it very difficult for me to work, and I do not wish to be involved in this matter

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I need Their Coorperation, So if you can find a way To correct This, iT will be very much appreciated. I also find persons from N.A.A.C.P. in Rock Hill and others have been working with me, Told me That Mr. Hail has not Contacted Them, and Selected an Undertaker who has not been active in other activities, and They Think This is unfair. I Think if They will follow Strick rules, and regulations in each Community, with Their Chairman, and let The Community see where Their money is spent and getting results, This will help all persons involved in voter registration, should Know about Their program in each Community, I note That persons have Worked in The past, are not included in This prigram at all. I Know That you have been fair and respected by many, and I realize This is not your responsibility, but only asking

Your advice, as to what to do, in bringing about a solution to this problem.

I know each community really need their funds, I would like to see them get it. it's a very good project if carried out right. I am meeting with Dr. Beck Monday to start a door-to door drive in voter registration. I respect Dr. Beck very much and believe he will call in persons not satisfied and make a decision on the matter. I have a plan for each of us, Brown has not been able to get report from Mr. Hail nor his Secty. on their month as yet. he said he will report to me Tuesday after they meet Monday. I have ask another leader to work very hard to organize, and accomplish our aim they agreed to do so.

I will be working hard to bring about a solution to this problem

hoping That you will advise me and give Thoughts To help.

I have Tried To heal The wound So far, and hoping To get down To work with each district, and go To work. While doing This you may advise me, as To your ideas and Tecknique To use, and I see no need why we can't Together work, as a Team.

Respectfully

Frank Robinson

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Mrs. Whitaker,

Enclosed is the report for Florence County that was promised in our letter of July 14.

This completes our educational reporting for the month of June.

None of the other counties had books open during this month.

R. N. Beck

R.N. Beck

L.D.

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VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: Florence County Voter Education Project

Period covered by this report: From June 1 to July 1

Person reporting Jonas Daas

512 S. Kemp St.	Florence	Florence	S.C.
Street Address	City	County	State

Date submitted: July 5, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Florence County

Ward, Beat, etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 58

Number instructed at home None

Number instructed at clinics 20

Number instructed other places 100 a. Specify places Churches

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 85

Number successfully registered by this project this week 81

Number denied registration by this project this week 4

a. Reason for denial Did not have tax receipts

Number contacted by other means None

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate None

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 286

Number of workers in the compaign 35

Remarks

SIXTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

OUR GOAL 100,000 REGISTERED VOTERS

1. Precinct or Ward Number

2. Place of Voting

3. County **Florence**

4. Your name, address and certificate no.

Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.
Margie G. Daniels	Rte. 2, Pamplico	27001
Mae Anna Robinson	Rte. 2, Pamplico	27004
Annie Ruth Eaddy	Effingham	27012
Robert W. Vereen	Pamplico	27022
Roy Daniels, Jr.	Florence	27028
Joe Toney	Rte. 2, Scranton	27030
Eliza Mae Cannon	1415 E. Palmetto St., Flo.	26926
Ruth E. McCall	513 N. Brunson St. Flo.	26931
Robert Long	Rte. 1, Pamplico	26929
Alice Smith	Rte. 2, Flo.	26935
Charlie Byrd	112 N. Vista St., Flo.	26933
Alphonso McCants	Third Ave., Flo.	26934
Ella Louise Williamson	Rte. 2, Effingham	26937
Berlda Williams	713 Maxwell St., Flo.	27007
Thomas Henry	110 John St., Flo.	27005
Essie M. Timmons	Rte. 2, Effingham	27006
Annie Dee Eaddy	1022 W. Marion St. Flo.	27010
Janie Bell Vann	Rte. 4, Box 726, Flo.	27011
Fred D. Smalls	907 Pawley St., Flo.	27016
A.J. Stewart	108 Ballard St., Flo.	27015

SIXTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

OUR GOAL 100,000 REGISTERED VOTERS

1. Precinct or Ward Number

2. Place of Voting

3. County Florence

4. Your name, address and certificate no.

Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.
James Leroy Ellerbe	Florence	27225
Monroe Gabriel	702 Manning St., Flo.	27226
Willie L. Wingate	Rte. 2, Flo.	27227
Emma Jane Johnson	Rte. 1, Box 33, Tmmsvl	27228
Annie Lee Collins	2075 Gaillard St., Flo.	27229
Elizabeth B. McFadden	309 E. Brown St., Flo.	27232
Janet Jones	Rte. 2, Pamplico	27236
Queenie B. Davis	601 W. Roughfork St., Flo.	27239
John Myers	Rte. 3, Flo.	27240
Jasper Lewis	904 Maxwell St., Flo.	27241
Harry J. McGill	Florence	27242
Sadie Mae McRae	405 S. Kemp St., Flo.	27243
Ruth J. Johnson	308 Vista St., Flo.	27245
Mary McAllister	Rte. 2, Effingham	27244
Frances J. Brown	Rte. 4, Tmmsvl	27248
Gaynell Richardson	900 Layton St., Flo.	27251
Catherine B. Brown	Rte. 4, T,,svl	27249
Beatrice Pickens	702 Sanborn St., Flo.	27252
Agnes S. Bennett	418 Kemp St., Flo.	27253
Alonza Robinson	707 Manning St., Flo.	27255

SIXTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

OUR GOAL 100,000 REGISTERED VOTERS

1. Precinct or Ward Number

2. Place of Voting

3. County **Florence**

4. Your name, address and certificate no.

Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.
James Peterkin	619 Carver St. Flo.	27258
Louella Wooten	910 E. Pine St. Flo.	27259
Lucretia Robinson	707 Manning St., Flo.	26852
Jonas Eaddy	1022 W. Marion St. Flo	26854
Elijah L. Wilson	Rte. 1, Effingham	26859
Leola Quillen	809 Cannon St., Flo.	26861
Emma C. Footman	Floyd Ave. Lake City	26871
Leon Walker	Rte. 1, Effingham	26869
Irene F. Jones	Lake City	26872
Hezikiah B. Johnson	905 Chase St., Flo.	26870
Pauline J. McClam	438 Scott St. Lake City	26873
Louis J. McClam	438 Scott St., Lake City	26876
King Footman	Floyd Ave., Lake City	26874
Easter R. Benjamin	Rte. 1, Effingham	26879
Eleanor Williams	210 Sanders St., Flo.	26880
Gene Wilds	712 Carver St., Flo.	26883
Joseph Backus	1225 Dixie St., Flo.	26881
Wanda Backus	1225 Dixie St., Flo.	26884
Lillie Mae Hugee	Rte. 2, Effingham	26887
William Henry Gordon	Rte. 2, Pamplico	26891

SIXTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

OUR GOAL 100,000 REGISTERED VOTERS

1. Precinct or Ward Number

2. Place of Voting

3. County Florence

4. Your name, address and certificate no.

Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.
Sunnie Timmons	Rte. 1, Pamplico	26892
Emma Mae Quillen	600 Lynch St., Flo.	26890
Madeline W. Harley	1501 Rocky Way Drive, Flo.	26895
Rochester Gibbs	Rte. 2, Pamplico	26893
Erasmus L. Cusack	Pamplico	26894
Julian Brown	Church St., Lake City	26900
Theo E. Jones	Rte. 1, Pamplico	26902
Rosalind R. Tennie	306 Athens St., Flo.	26906
Alberta Cain	Rte. 2, Scranton	26909
Esther L. Jones	Rte. 2, Pamplico	26912
Earline S. Robinson	411 N. Coit St., Flo.	26910
Janie H. Woods	407 Laswon St., Flo.	26913
Eva Mae Bartelle	Rte. 2, Pamplico	26914
Thomasina H. Stewart	108 S. Ballard St., Flo.	27014
Eddie Lee Smith	Rte. 1, Effingham	27019
Othenia Cooper	Box 541, Lake City	27020
Handy Harley	1501 Rocky Way Dr., Flo.	27017
Fred Gee	Rte. 1, Effingham	27018
Emma Jean Williams	713 Maxwell St., Flo.	27027
Elma Lee McWhite	Rte. 1, Box 138-B, Pamplico	27013
Emma Brockington	Box 731, Lake City	27033

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: ~~Georgetown County Voter Education Project~~

Period covered by this report: From July 1 to August 1

Person reporting Alex Alford

P.O. Box 400 — Georgetown — Georgetown — S.C.
Street Address — City — County — State

Date submitted: July 22, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Georgetown County

Ward, Beat, etc. — Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass None

Number instructed at home None

Number instructed at clinics None

Number instructed other places 115 a. Specify places Churches

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week Not known

Number successfully registered by this project this ~~week~~ month 12

Number denied registration in this project this week ?

a. Reason for denial Could not qualify

Number contacted by other means 12

a. Specify means Making available cars to transport people to register

Number refusing to participate None

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 140

Number of workers in the campaign 56

Remarks This county has been doing successful voter registration work for a number of years. Approximately 43% of the registrants in the county are Negroes.

SIXTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

OUR GOAL 100,000 REGISTERED VOTERS

1. Precinct or Ward Number

2. Place of Voting

3. County Georgetown

4. Your name, address and certificate no.

Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.
Lottie Rutledge		11822
Dorothy Gourdine		11824
Billie I. Rutledge		11825
Lizzie Canteen		10732
Lena Mae Lang		11857
Horace Lang		11856
Margaret Mickel		11833
Andrew Rivers		11830
Sadie Rivers		11831
Rev. Daniel Holmes		11843
Dorothy Dozier		11861
Mattie Mae McGhee		11863

Total 12

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17 Robinson ST
Sumter, S.C.
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Dear Mrs. Whitaker:

I have made contact with all county Chairman to get in reports on time in order that I may be able to send in my report on time. However you know I am only to receive reports through Dr. Beck. and the leaders of his choice who have been elected to report to him, and by waiting for him to give me this information, it is impossible for me to make a report on time. As of now all reports did not come in to Dr. Beck as required. I do hope by making this contact with all Chairman I have encouraged them to send in reports to Dr. Beck as accurate as possible, so I can make mine, and they agreeded to do so.

Respectfully
Frank B. Robinson

P.S. For the time being I am only working in the 6th Congressional District Emerson Brown has been given the 8th District, he will make his own reports for the next 60 days.

Respectfully.
F. B. Robinson

WB
JM
JTV

JUL 31 1964

403 North Dargan Street
Florence, South Carolina
July 30, 1964

Mr. Wiley Branton, Project Director
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street, N.W., Room 206
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton:

This will acknowledge receipt of the copy of your letter to Mr. Virgil Dimery. I suppose you have received also a copy of my reply to him.

I was surprised by Mr. Dimery's actions. To my knowledge he had not requested a meeting of the Executive Committee before his recent letter which he distributed widely. Further, there is no reason why the Executive Committee could not have met.

We have been occupied with getting the organization on its feet, stepping up efforts for increased interest in voter registration, getting the registration information requested, and organizing the reports of the nine counties of the Sixth Congressional District into the official report for your office. Being a new undertaking, inasmuch as the District now has a central source of funds instead of the previous independent county self support, we anticipated some problems or adjustments to arise from this closer type of relationship. However, these matters were expected to be handled in our monthly meetings.

We have held three monthly meetings. These meetings were well attended by the chairmen, secretaries, and people of the counties of the District.

The first meeting, held May 5, 1964 at Florence, S.C., was an organizational meeting during which the Executive Committee was formed. It was agreed that this committee would consist of the chairmen and secretaries of the counties of the District. The date of the monthly meetings was determined as the Friday following the first Monday of each month. Voter registration books are open in most counties on the first Monday of each month. The following Friday was considered a convenient time for receiving the registration information which in turn would facilitate the submission of reports by each county. Speakers from various cities of the state appeared on the program. Mr. Blackwell of the VEP office spoke to the group also. The meeting was covered by a reporter of the local newspaper.

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The second meeting, held in June at Kingstree, S.C., was concerned with the following items: the voter registration problems faced by each county, the approved methods of submitting reports, and the information required to substantiate expenses. At this second meeting, the body agreed that the county chairman of the host county would be in complete charge of the program for each subsequent monthly meeting, leaving the reports and the discussion for the latter part of the meeting. This was intended as an incentive to stimulate leadership at the county level and make the meeting serve as a rallying point for voter registration projects of the host county.

The third meeting in July at Conway, South Carolina, to which you and several others were invited, was a successful and well planned meeting. A medical emergency in my work prevented my attendance. Further phases of organizing were to be effected at this meeting. I am enclosing a program for this meeting which was planned and conducted by the host county and its chairman.

As previously stated, the chairmen and secretaries of each county of the District compose the Executive Committee. They are usually present along with the people of the counties at each monthly meeting, where all matters pertinent to the organization are presented. We have had enthusiastic support and interest in all of these meetings. The next monthly meeting is scheduled for August 14, 1964 at 8:00 P.M., Bethel A.M.E. Church, Georgetown, S.C. Plans for this meeting are already in progress.

Mr. Virgil Dimery is not a member of the Executive Committee. This fact makes his complaints even more puzzling. I reiterate that the matter of Executive Committee meetings had not been advanced previously to my knowledge. As for the alleged domination, Rev. L.B. Burgess and I had no such intentions.

However, in view of his complaints, I am calling a special Executive Committee meeting for Friday, July 31, 1964, 8:00 P.M., at Mt. Zion A.M.E. Church, Florence, S.C.

I believe from the descriptions of the meetings and the actions taken, you can judge for yourself what has transpired.

Yours very truly,

R.N. Beck

R.N. Beck, Chairman
Sixth Congressional District VEP

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VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: Florence County Voter Education Project

Period covered by this report: From July 1, 1964 to August 1, 1964

Person reporting Mr. Jonas Deas

512 S. Kemp St.	Florence	Florence	S.C.
Street Address	City	County	State

Date submitted: July 31, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Florence County

Ward, Beat, etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass

Number instructed at home 50

Number instructed at clinics None

Number instructed other places 500 a. Specify places Churches Meeting halls

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 157

Number successfully registered by this project this week 107

Number denied registration in this project this week App. 50

a. Reason for denial Could not qualify

Number contacted by other means None

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate None

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 393

Number of workers in the campaign 30

Remarks This county has been successful in getting the registration books opened for prolonged periods during the month at times.

July 1964

SIXTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

OUR GOAL: 200,000 REGISTERED VOTERS

1. Precinct or Ward Number

2. Place of Voting Mullins

3. County Marion

4. Your name, address and certificate no.

Name of persons you take to register.	Address	Certificate no.
Ilene F. Lowe	Bay Street	1189
Florena C. Liely	Valentine St.	1361
Lewis, Geraldine A.	Church St.	1367
Ada G. Murphy	Bay Street	1188
Vernie Mae Melette	Seaboard Ave	1426
McClain, Beulah	Lowman St.	1277
James A. McClain	Lowman St.	1428
W. Gaines McFadden	Cypress St.	1461
Lizzie McGown	Rt. 1	1472
Annie Ruth Odom	Cypress St.	1222
Pearline D. Owens	Rt. 1	1384
Irene D. Page	Front St.	1334
Daisy Parker	Rt. 1	1468
Marie Quick	Broad St.	1298
Ernestine Reaves	Front St.	1218
Cepahas Reaves, Jr.	Front St.	1220
J. W. Rutherford	Clark St.	1223
Rowell, Mildred	Rt. 3	1276
Franklin C. Reaves	Smith St.	1541
Carlee P. Simmons	Rt. 3	1194
Gussie M. Simmons	Rt. 3	1213

SIXTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

OUR GOALS [illegible]

1. Precinct or Ward Number **Marion**

2. Place of Voting **Marion**

3. County **Marion**

4. Your name, address and certificate no.

Name of persons you take to register.	Address	Certificate no.
Aretha Kenney	Euclid St.	1534
Elaine Killens	Gregg St.	1585
Alice Legette	Marion, Rt. 3	1417
Legette, Rosa Lee	Rt. 3	1418
Mack Legette	Bluff St.	1582
Lester, Eliza Jane	Rt. 2	1594
Lane, Charloote M.	Gregg St.	1644
Moses, Clara Mae	Rt. 1	1395
Munnerlyn, Henry	Stackhouse St.	1443
Miles, James F.	Eutaw Ext.	1495
Moore, Leila O.	Goldbold St.	1592
Moody, Eddie L.	Rt. 2	1646
Miles, Mildred S.	Eutaw St.	1668
Moody, Pearl W.	Phillips St.	1679
Moody, David	Rt. 2	1722
Moody, Albertine F.	Rt. 2	1726

17 Robinson ST
Sumter, S.C.
Aug. 6 - 64

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Dear Mr. McCain:

I will be able to give more detail in reporting now because we have contacted all county chairman to send to Dr. Beck all reports and he will send them to me. We are having a good report for this month so far, in all counties. Still having trouble in Kingstree a little that is. We are hoping that after this drive a group will go to the county chairman concerning this matter. They have 4 tables take 4 person's at a time white at separate tables, they register white's much faster than Negro's if 20 Negro's are present only 12 can register at one time, if there is 1 white at the table, no Negro's can sit at the

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Table at all. If one white is at each Table, They still can't sit, until all Whites are Through. Then all whites gather Together Negros can't hear if They read The Constitution or not. Negros have To fill out Blanks, Read and write a section of The Constitution and pronounce Words. If They are not Clear They are Turned down. They are Told That They are To read and write a Section with Thought. Making no errors in spelling. They won't Take a duplicate Tax receipt. Persons have been Turned down for not having property in Their name. For instance one man had $170.00 Value of his own, $500 in his wifes name which amounted To $670.00 in Value They also Turned down high school graduates for pronouncation. Some persons are Told That They will have To pay Tax and read + write.

After we having Two weeks in Voter registration, I will send in my reports on The 17. In every county where Negro's are at The Polls all day, Negros seem To register better. It's still a lot of fear in most counties. Concerning The reports from now on They will be on Time.

Respectfully,
Frank Robinson

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: Marion County Voter Education Project

Period covered by this report: From July 1, 1964 to August 1, 1964

Person reporting Mr. James A. Hodge

Rte. 2, Box 70 — Mullins — Marion — S.C.
Street Address — City — County — State

Date submitted: August 8, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Marion

[illegible], Beat, etc. County
Ward, Beat, etc. — Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 50

Number instructed at home None

Number instructed at clinics None

Number instructed other places 450 a. Specify places Churches

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week ?

Number successfully registered by this project this ~~week~~ month 37

Number denied registration by this project this week ?

a. Reason for denial Illiterate

Number contacted by other means None

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate None

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 460

Number of workers in the compaign 15

Remarks

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17 Robinson ST
Sumter, S.C.
Aug. 11- 64

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Dear Marvin + W. A. Branton!

These are pictures Taken on voter registration drive and work shop, We are still having Trouble in area's Where They still Turn down 72 persons in eight day's. Out of 232 persons, some are high school graduates, Most of These persons are from Williamsburg County. Turned down for mispronounciation of words when asked To read 1- or 2- or 3 parts of The Constitution To suit The registra and reading each part, They are not allowed To miss one word, They are asked To read it 2 or 3 Times, They are Told To come back in 2 or 3 months or more. They have 4 Tables, 4 person's at each Table except one. This Table is used by whites mostly if They happen To come in. The Tecknique They are

are using are old ones, They put 4 persons To each desk, and notice The ones who Take The longest To fill out The blanks and The first To read The constitution, so They can delay These That are The fastest, most of The Time The ones The slowest come out first and The fast one's last, This is just To aggravate and discourage persons who are waiting, and some Time They just get up and leave before finishing The Test. When you enter To registra They give you a Test blank To fill out, after completing it, They Take as long as They can To give you a Test by Reading and writing sections of The constitution, some Times you are asked To read it 2 or 3 Times, and They Tell you That you miss 2 or 3 words you fail or They may Tell you ok and we will mail your certificate later. This is how it's done. The white Table in The

rear most of the time, and applicant say you can't hear them. They just fill out the blanks, and they will leave before Negro's this is not accurate however. The Negro applicant's have their doubts, Minor trouble in other areas as well as Williamsburg County. No way of telling in other area's how many turned down, they only keep records of person's registered.

Respectfully
Frank B. Robinson

P.S. Persons who can't find original tay receipts to qualify to register are told they can't get duplicates from court house.

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17 Robinson ST WB
Sumter, S.C.
Aug. 16 - 64

Dear Mr. McCain:

We are still receiving complaints from applicants from Williamsburg, Lee & Sumter counties. Negro's are asked to fill out blanks, read sections of constitution, and write it, and sometime explain. The registra interpute wheather they write or pronounce to their satisfaction, high school graduates are also turned down for, pronounciation of words, they also are useing snail pace procedure, and will not let anyone come in to the court house for the last two day's. I was also ordered out of the court house, for taking people down to registra and writing down complaints. I refused to leave and the registra called in officials and police and held a conference in the back of the court house.

After their conference, they did not say any thing to me. I remained seated until books closed. The next morning the orders were not to let anyone enter the court house, other than persons registering. We received quite a number of complaints after they ordered me out.

These are some of the complants.

1. Mispronounced words.
2. Did not cross "I" or "T"
3. Did not write well.
4. Refused duplicate tay receipt.
5. White persons come in later, and alway's register before Negro's. & Tables reserve for White's.
6. Door's close half houre before closing time.
7. White's can come in and register, after door's are closed, Many other problems are being used.

In two counties there hare been 271 persons turned down, mostly for pronounciation of words. I hare not received reports from all counties.

with complaints, we have had a very good month in voter registration, and will send you a report of them later this week. The polls closed Saturday. I have not had time to cover all counties since the polls closed.

Respectfully
Frank B. Robinson

August 18, 1964

Mr. Branton:

We are forwarding reports from 3 of the counties for the month of July. The other reports will be forwarded to your office as soon as they come in.

R.N. Beck
L.D.

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Name	Place of Residence	Number
1. Freeman, Catherine	500 Tanyard St. Florence, S. C.	27912
2. Hickson, Jesse	304 N. Keith, Florence, S. C.	27862
3. Hickson, Jessie M.	Rt. 4 Timmonsville, S. C.	27870
4. Hickson, Eddie	506 E. Clifford St., Timmonsville, S. C.	27885
5. Hobson, David G.	407 Kershaw St., Florence, S. C.	27886
6. Ham Willa	715 S. Warren St. " " "	27909
7. Mary, McCray	Rt. 3 Timmonsville, S. C.	27871
8. McCray, Jerome	Main Street, Tommonsville, S. C.	27913
9. McDaniel, Gladys N.	421 Warren St., Florence, S. C.	27280
10. Sammuel, Lucius	Rt. 1 Timmonsville, S. C.	25769
11. Singleton, Mimie H.	S. Keith, Timmonsville, S. C.	27875
12. Simon, Frances	312 Clifford, " " "	27901
13. Williams, Julius C.	1563 Warren St., Timmonsville S. C.	27866
14. White , Herbert Leroy	Rt. 2 Timmonsville, S. C.	27873
15. Wingate, Janie Bell	503 Warren " " "	27896
16. Wilson, Charity	408 E. Clifford, Timmonsville, S. C.	27902
17. Watford, Mary Louise	Rt. 3 Timmonsville	27905
18. Wilson, Josephine	316 Byrd, Timmonsville, S. C.	27911
19. Wingate, Eva	Rt. 2 Timmonsville, S. C.	27134
20. Wright, Mae Retha D.	Box 324 Timmonsville, S. C.	27037
21. McDaniels, Gladys	421 Wareen, Timmonsville, S. C.	27280
22. Singleton, Minnie	S. Keith, Timmonsville, S. C.	27875
23. Simon Frances	313 Clifford, Timmonsville, S. C.	27901
24. Williams Julius	156 Warren, Timmonsville, " "	27866
25. White Herbert Leroy	Rt. 2 Timmonsville, S. C.	27873
26. Wingate, Janie Bell	503 Warren, Timmonsville, S. C.	27896
27. Wilson, Charity	408 E. Clifford, Timmonsville, S. C.	27902
28. Watford, May Louise	Rt. 3 Timmonsville, S. C.	27905
29. Wilson, Josephine	316 Byrd St., Timmonsville, S. C.	27911
30. Wingate, Ela	Rt. 2 Florence, S. C.	27037
31. Wright, Mae Ruth	Box 324 Timmonsville, S. C.	27134
32. Addison, John D.	1100 E. Evans St., Florence, S. C.	27086
33. Anderson, Evelyn	120 Scott St., Florence, S. C.	27163
34. Anderson, Benjamin	120 Scott St., Florence, S. C.	27164
35. Brown, Vera Mae	911 Lynch St., Florence, S. C.	27265
36. Brunson, Cleveland	715 Pawley St., Florence, S. C.	27268
37. Davis, Raymond F.	1519 Rocky May,Florence, S. C.	27271
38. Davis, Iola B.	1519 Rocky May, Florence, S. C.	27270
39. Grant, May E.	600 Rose, Florence, S. C.	27090
40. Gregg, May Lee	701 StackleySt. , Florence, S. C.	27168
41. Green, Leroy C.	154 S. Gillard St. Florence, S. C.	27214
42. Harton, Pearl	601 N. Commander St. Florence, S. C.	27122
43. Howard,Gaynell H.	508 Brunson St., Florence, S. C.	27213
44. Haynes, Amlee	612 N. Commander St., Florence, S. C.	27282
45. Hyman,Ruth	326 N. Church St., Florence, S. C.	27298
46. James, Barbara	106 Bennett St., Florence, S. C.	27108
47. Johnson, Ruth Mae	504 N. Dargan St., Florence, S. C.	27124
48. Joseph, Clerance	715 Roberts St., Florence, S. C.	27202
49. Kirven, Roulina	502 Oakland St., Florence, S. C.	27344
50. Cook, Alvilda	122 Glencove, Florence, S. C.	27360
51. Cook, Sam	122 Glencove, Florence, S. C.	27367
52. Daly, Reba L.	204 Hinson, Florence, S. C.	27358
53. Smith, Florine	253 S. Jeffords, Florence, S. C.	27311

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Name	Place of Residence	Number
54. Kirvin, Lawerence	Rte. 1, Effingham, S. C.	24763
55. Berlin, Eva Mae	Rte. 2. Pamplico, S. C.	26914
56. Jenkins, Beatrice S.	P. O. Box Pamplico, S. C.	27182
57. Myers, Sarah Jane	Rte. 2. Pamplico, S. C.	27092
58. Menthion, Nellie Mae B.	Box 374 Pamplico, S. C.	27359
59. Parker, Bowens	Box 182 Pamplico, S. C.	27223
60. Myers, John M.	Rte. 3 Florence, S. C.	27240
61. Spears, Wallace	Rte. 3 Florence, S. C.	19651
62. Cyrus, Mary	602 W. Marion, Florence, S. C.	27294
63. Evans, Willie M	718 N. Marion St. Florence, S. C.	27224
64. Frierson, Ulyses	502 N. McQueen, Florence, S. C.	25551
65. Frierson, Mildred	403 Sanborn St., Florence, S. C.	27113
66. Keith, Jerry Miah	345 N. Coit St., Florence, S. C.	25554
67. Martin, Frances E.	800 B. Sanborn St., Florence, S. C.	25556
68. Scott, Julia L.	511 W. Darlington	27149
69. Hunter, Raymond	609 N. Penn St., Florence. S.	27144
70. Anqellia, Williams	605 Ballard St., Florence, S. C.	27166
71. Bailey, Ruth J.	206 N. Lawson St. Florence, S. C.	19657
72. Hines, Ernestine B.	1109 E. Palmetto St., Florence, S. C.	24760
73. Owens, Louise A.	323 S. Ravenel St., Florence, S. C.	27085
74. Richardson, Andrew	1312 E. Pine St., Florence, S. C.	27269
75. Robinson, Mackie	534 Ballard St., Florence, S. C.	27347
76. Sellers, Arthur	260 S. Griffin St., Florence, S. C.	16625
77. Stone, Fannie F.	500 Charlotte St., Florence, S. C.	25545
78. Timmons, Delores	907 E. Palmetto St., Florence, S. C.	27104
79. Henderson, Annie M	1006 E. Palmetto St., Florence, S. C.	25550
80. Hughes, James O.	208 S. Griffin, St., Florence, S. C.	27345
81. Hughes, Letha R.	" " " " " " "	27351
82. Singleton, Georgia	404 Charlotte St., Florence, S. C.	24759
83. Annie Rich	Poston	27292
84. Stackley, Annie R.	Rte. 1 Timmonsville, SouthC.	27167
85. Jackson, Isaac T.	P. O. Box 424 Florence, S. C.	25563
86. Byrd, Dora P.	500 Taryard St., Florence, S. C.	27867
87. Brown, Rachael A.	419 N. Taryard St., Florence, S. C.	27867
88. Brown, Mary Ann	506 N. Warren St. Timmonsville, S. C.	27868
89. Butterworth, Margaret	207 Taryard St, Florence, S. C.	27878
90. Barr, Mariah M.	613 N. Ruth St., Florence, S. C.	27879
91. Bines, Woodrown	209 Taryard St., Florence, S. C.	27882
92. Rhodes, Virginia	604 Freeman St., Florence, S. C.	27903
93. Timmons, Thomas	113 S. Gillard St., Florence, S. C.	27096
94. Jessie, Carter Timmons	" " " " " " "	27094
95. Brown, Queens	Rte 3 Timmonsville, S. C.	27908
96. Brown, Katie	Rte. 1 Scranton, S. C.	27115
97. Cherter, Henry Jr.	109 Clifford St., Timmonsville	27874
98. Davis, Janie	503 E. Byrd St., Timmonsville, S. C.	27908
99. Freeman, Cathrine	500 Taryard St., Timmonsville, S. C.	27912
100. Garmer, Thomas	424 Orange St., Timmonsville, S. C.	27865
101. Gee, Gertie Mae	316 Clifford St., Timmonsville, S. C.	27866
102. Gee, Gay Milton	402 Taryard St., Timmonsville, S. C.	27884
103. Gillyard, Evangline	312 Clifford St., Timmonsville, S. C.	27895
104. Hickson, Jessie Mae	Rte. 4 Timmonsville, S. C.	27870
105. Hickson, Jessie	304 N. Ruth St., Timmonsville, S. C.	27876
106. Hickson, Eddie	506 E. Clifford St., Timmonsville, S. C.	27862
107. Ham, Willa	715 S. Warren St., Timmonsville, S. C.	27804
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FLORENCE COUNTY VOTERS REGISTRATION PROJECT

FLORENCE, SOUTH CAROLINA

AUGUST 25, 1964

The following is a list of the precincts in Florence County and an estimate of the precentage of Negro and White residents:

PRECINCT	NEGRO	WHITE
Back Swamp	10%	90%
Claussen	54%	46%
Ebenezer	40%	60%
Effingham	40%	60%
Evergreen	35%	65%
Five Points	2%	98%
Florence #1	90%	10%
Florence #2	40%	60%
Florence #3	55%	45%
Florence #4	20%	80%
Mars Bluff	35%	65%
Tans Bay	65%	35%
Elim	60%	40%
Coles Gross Road	30%	70%
Glenwood	10%	90%
Oak Grove		100%
Coward #1	65%	35%
Coward #2	60%	40%
High Hill	20%	80%

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MARION COUNTY VOTERS REGISTRATION PROJECT

MULLINS, SOUTH CAROLINA

AUGUST 22, 1964

The following is a list of the precincts in Marion County and an estimate of the precentage of Negro and White residents:

	Negro	White
Precinct I- Brittons Neck	55%	45%
Precinct II- Cedar Grove	45%	55%
Precinct III- Centenary	60%	40%
Precinct IV- East Mullins	52%	48%
Precinct V- Friendship	50%	50%
Precinct VI- Nichols	54%	46%
Precinct VII- North Marion	49%	51%
Precinct VIII- Rains	54%	46%
Precinct IX- Sellers	60%	40%
Precinct X- South Marion	52%	48%
Precinct XI- Temperance Hill	10%	90%
Precinct XII- Todd	62%	38%
Precinct XIII- West Mullins	55%	45%
Precinct XIV- Zion	58%	42%

PRECINCT	NEGRO	WHITE
Lake City #1	70%	30%
Lake City#2	60%	40%
Leo	20%	80%
Liberty	15%	85%
McAllister's Mill	12%	88%
McCutcheon	15%	85%
Olanta	50%	50%
Salem	50%	50%
Scranton	50%	50%
Friendfield	40%	60%
Hanna	48%	52%
Pamplico	40%	60%
Stone	30%	70%
Carterville	10%	90%
James X Road	2%	98%
Timmonsville	30%	70%
Johnsonville	5%	95%
Kingsburg	40%	60%
Prospect		100%
Vox	10%	90%

Mrs. Barbara Whitaker:

17 Robinson ST
Sumter, S.C.
Aug. 31-64

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Dear Nooker:

As of today, Final check with Dr. Beck's sect. She only received from 4 Counties. Last week with Dr. Beck, he asked me to check with each county chairman to get them to report on time. and this has failed so far, he met with them a few weeks and instructed them to do so. We did talk today on the matter, and offered my sugestion as to what I think is best, to have a copy of his plan, and what he expects, by giving them a dead line to report before receiving funds. call all chairman in and give each a copy, so they won't be misled, and each day the polls open must be a person at polls at all times, and not wait on report from chairman and precert leader to make this report.

In all districts I have worked They are a lot people working in voter registration That is not connected with Dr. Beck's program and don't know about it, This group is not organized To make contact with all person's enrolred in registration, The person's selected by Dr. Beck have not been working with These other people, and only in a few areas where They have kept people at Polls Taking names and address of all persons registered, This is why I requested To Dr. Beck That This is The only way To give an accurate report by being at polls all day rather Than get records from precent Chairman. hoping in Sept. That we will have a person at Poll in every county.

Respectfully
Frank Robinson

THE SIXTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

OF

VOTERS EDUCATION PROGRAM

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AT

Manning Baptist Church Dillon, South Carolina

Rev. Edward A. Spann, Pastor

September 9, 1964

8:00 P. M.

Herman E. King .....Master of Ceremonies

OPENING SONG ..... Audience

INVOCATION

SONG .....FAITH OF OUR FATHERS LIVING STILL.....Audience

WELCOME ADDRESS .... Rev. E. A. Spann
Manning Bapt. Church

RESPONSE .... Mrs. L. B. Blackwell

REPORT OF DILLON COUNTY .....Dr. R. N. Beck
Sixth Congressional Dist. VEP

PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

CLOSING SONG .....WORK FOR THE NIGHT IS COMING.....Audience

BENEDICTION

TOUR OF SOUTH OF THE BORDER (In Motorcade)

DILLON COUNTY
FLORENCE COUNTY
MARION COUNTY
WILLIAMSBURG COUNTY

GEORGETOWN COUNTY
DARLINGTON COUNTY
LEE COUNTY
HORRY COUNTY

MARLBORO COUNTY

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403 North Dargan Street
Florence, South Carolina
September 16, 1964

Mr. Wiley Branton, Director
Voter Education Project
Room 2[illegible]
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Sir:

I am submitting the registration for the Sixth Congressional District secured during the month of August. In some instances, more names were added to the list since these reports were made. These shall be submitted later.

I am also sending a break-down of population percentages for percincts of Horry County.

Included is a clipping from the FLORENCE MORNING NEWS and in addition, a program of our last meeting at Dillon, South Carolina.

Yours truly,

R. N. Beck, Chairman
Sixth Congressional Voter
Education Project

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Florence Morning News WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16,

Register Now, Registration Officials Say

Florence County voter registrars Tuesday advised unregistered county residents to act now if they wish to qualify to cast ballots in the November General election in which a President will be elected.

Saturday is the final date now scheduled in Florence to be registered to vote in the general election. Registration officials cautioned that a last-minute rush is in prospect and that every effort to avoid it should be made.

Approximately 225 persons registered Monday and Tuesday. Last week about 450 persons registered during the period from Tuesday through Saturday noon.

Resistration officials also announced Tuesday that registration books will be open the remainder of the week in Lake City with Edward Whitlock in charge. Exact location of the place of registration was not announced, but registration officials said persons may contact Whitlock. Hours will be 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Registration books are also scheduled to be open Wednesday at the Olanta City Hall from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Other registration dates scheduled in the county are: Scranton Town Hall, Sept. 22, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Coward Town Hall, Sept. 23, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Registration officials pointed out that a "yellow" voting certificate, valid for the ten-year registration period beginning in 1958, will be required to vote in the general election.

In order to register, a person must be 21 years old and a resident of the state for one year, of the county for six months and of the precinct for three months. Ministers and teachers and their spouses may qualify if they have been a resident of the state for six months.

Marlboro County could not secure names nor registration numbers. However, they registered 400 - 425 persons during the month of August, 1964.

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: MARLBORO COUNTY IMPROVEMENT ASSN., VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Period covered by this report: From AUG 3, 1964 to AUG 15, 1964

Person reporting Frank E. Cain, Jr.

203 W. Market Street — Bennettsville, — Marlboro, So. Carolina
Street Address — City — County — State

Date submitted: August 17, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Marlboro County

Fourteen (14) Precincts
Ward, Beat, etc. — Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass Estimated 30 homes in Bennettsville

Number instructed at home None

Number instructed at clinics 60

Number instructed other places 100 a. Specify places

Barber Shop (Quick's Barber Shop) Law Office of Frank Cain, Jr.

Number applying for registration as a result of this program ~~since~~ these two week Approximately 450-500

Number successfully registered by this project this 2 week 400-425 Approx.

Number denied registration in this project this week 60-70 Approx.

a. Reason for denial inability to correctly fill out application

Number contacted by other means Several hundred (s) or thousands

a. Specify means By Radio Announcements and Church Announcements

Number refusing to participate Several Hundred(s)

a. Reason for refusing to participate Lack of interest, fear of economic reprisals, do not realize the importance of voting, ~~and other non logical reasons~~ usually associated with the Negro and Voting.

Number of persons successfully registered since the start This has been the only opportunity for persons to Register in this County ~~since early in May~~ because the books were closed thirty days prior to the primary in June, although we had no public office holders ~~seeking re-election.~~

Number of workers in the campaign Four (4) dedicated ones

Remarks WE had some difficulty getting to take records fo the exact number ~~of~~ of persons who actually registered, The Board Chairman, ~~objected on the day the Registration~~ office opened and I was on my way to Fed. Court in Florence, and it was two days later ~~when I got that approvad by the County~~ Commissioners and by then I couldn't ~~grot~~ get the girls back down to the Courthouse to take the information down. Anyway, we ~~had a very large~~ number of persons to turn out for the two week(s) period in August and our estimates are rather accurate, as we did have observers at the Courthouse ~~everyday.~~

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of project: Horry County Progressive Association

Period covered by this report: From Sept. 1 to Sept. 30

Person reporting Dr. P. C. Kelly

Drawer 857	Conway	Horry	S. C.
Street adress	City	County	State

Date Submitted: September 30, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or community to which this report applies: Horry County

Ward, Beat, etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 155

Number instructed at home None

Number instructed at clinics None

Number instructed other places 450 a. Specify places Churches

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this Week 70

Number successfully registered by this project this week 50

Number denied registration by this project this week 20

a. Reason for denial Could not qualify

Number contacted by other means

a. specify means

Number refusing to participate None

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start Unknown at present

Number of Workers in the Campaign 35

Remarks

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of project: Dillon County VEP

Period covered by this report: From Sept. 1 to Sept. 30

Person reporting Miss Azalee Rowell

407 N. 11th Ave.	Dillon	Dillon	S. C.
Street adress	City	County	State

Date Submitted: October 5, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or community to which this report applies: Dillon County

Ward, Beat, etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 100

Number instructed at home 75

Number instructed at clinics None

Number instructed other places 200 a. Specify places Churches

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this Week 60

Number successfully registered by this project this week 35

Number denied registration by this project this week 25

a. Reason for denial Illiterate

Number contacted by other means 1200 Estimate

a. specify means Radio Announcements

Number refusing to participate None

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start

Number of Workers in the Campaign 17

Remarks

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of project: Georgetown County VEP

Period covered by this report: From Sept. 1 to Sept. 30

Person reporting Mr. Alex Alford

Merriman Road	Georgetown	Georgetown	S. C.
Street adress	City	County	State

Date Submitted: October 5, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or community to which this report applies: Georgetown County

Ward, Beat, etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 200

Number instructed at home 95

Number instructed at clinics None

Number instructed other places 800 a. Specify places Chruches

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this Week 130

Number successfully registered by this project this week 116

Number denied registration by this project this week 14

a. Reason for denial Could not qualify

Number contacted by other means None

a. specify means

Number refusing to participate None

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start Number has not been ascertained

Number of Workers in the Campaign 64

Remarks

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of project: Williamsburg County Voter's League

Period covered by this report: From Sept. 1 to Sept. 30

Person reporting Mr. Virgil Dimery

Box 331	Kingstree	Williamsburg	S. C.
Street adress	City	County	State

Date Submitted: October 10, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or community to which this report applies: Williamsburg County

Ward, Beat, etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 215

Number instructed at home 63

Number instructed at clinics None

Number instructed other places 475 App. a. Specify places Churches

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this Week 239

Number successfully registered by this project this week 239

Number denied registration by this project this week none

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means 1500

a. specify means Radio Station Announcements and pamphlets

Number refusing to participate None

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start Unknown

Number of Workers in the Campaign 21

Remarks

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C.O.R.E. — ORGANIZATION

Frank Robinson — PERSON REPORTING

Period covered From 10-1 to 10-31-64

17 Robinson — STREET ADDRESS

Sumter S.C — CITY COUNTY STATE

Date Submitted: 10-10-64

Election District to which this report applies Florence County

Day of the month:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31
No.* contacted by door-todoor canvass																															
No.* contacted by other means (specify means)																															
No* refusing to participate																															
No* instructed at clinics																															
No* instructed at other places (specify place																															
No* applying for registration as a result of this program																															
No* successfully registered by this project 159/60/15																															
No* denied registration in this project																															

*Persons of voting age

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C.O.R.E.
ORGANIZATION

Frank Robinson
PERSON REPORTING

Period covered From Oct. 1 to Oct. 31-64

17 Robinson
STREET ADDRESS

Sumter S.C.
CITY COUNTY STATE

Date Submitted: Oct. 10-64

Election District to which this report applies Dillon

Day of the month:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31
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No* refusing to participate																															
No* instructed at clinics																															
No* instructed at other places (specify place																															
No* applying for registration as a result of this program																															
No* successfully registered by this project	70	42		(112)																											
No* denied registration in this project																															

*Persons of voting age

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Frank Robinson
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Period covered From Oct. 1 to Oct. 31-64

17 Robinson St
STREET ADDRESS

CITY COUNTY STATE

Date Submitted: Oct. 10-64

Election District to which this report applies Williamsburg County

Day of the month:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31
No.* contacted by door-todoor canvass																															
No.* contacted by other means (specify means)																															
No* refusing to participate																															
No* instructed at clinics																															
No* instructed at other places (specify place																															
No* applying for registration as a result of this program																															
No* successfully registered by this project 89																															
No* denied registration in this project																															

*Persons of voting age

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Frank Robinson
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17 Robinson
STREET ADDRESS

Sumter
CITY COUNTY STATE

Date Submitted: 10-10-64

Election District to which this report applies Lee County

Day of the month:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31
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No* refusing to participate																															
No* instructed at clinics																															
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No* applying for registration as a result of this program																															
No* successfully registered by this project 47																															
No* denied registration in this project																															

*Persons of voting age

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Period covered

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ORGANIZATION

Frank Robinson
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From 10-1 to 10-31-64

17 Robinson ST
STREET ADDRESS

Sumter, S.C
CITY COUNTY STATE

Date Submitted: 10-10-64

Election District to which this report applies Marion S.C.

Day of the month:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31
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No* instructed at clinics																															
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No* applying for registration as a result of this program																															
No* successfully registered by this project 67																															
No* denied registration in this project																															

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STREET ADDRESS

Sumter S.C.
CITY COUNTY STATE

Date Submitted: 10-10-64

Election District to which this report applies GeorgeTown

Day of the month:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31
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No* refusing to participate																															
No* instructed at clinics																															
No* instructed at other places (specify place																															
No* applying for registration as a result of this program																															
No* successfully registered by this project 130	148			278																											
No* denied registration in this project																															

*Persons of voting age

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Frank Robinson
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STREET ADDRESS

Sumter S.C.
CITY COUNTY STATE

Date Submitted: 10-10-64

Election District to which this report applies Lake City

Day of the month:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31
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No* refusing to participate																															
No* instructed at clinics																															
No* instructed at other places (specify place																															
No* applying for registration as a result of this program																															
No* successfully registered by this project 38																															
No* denied registration in this project																															

*Persons of voting age

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Frank Robinson
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Period covered From 10-1 to 10-31-64

17 Robinson
STREET ADDRESS

Sumter S.C.
CITY COUNTY STATE

Date Submitted: 10-10-64

Election District to which this report applies Darlington

Day of the month:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31
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No* refusing to participate																															
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No* applying for registration as a result of this program																															
No* successfully registered by this project 63 64				127																											
No* denied registration in this project																															

*Persons of voting age

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of project: Florence County Voter Education Project

Period covered by this report: From Sept. 1 to Sept. 30

Person reporting Mr. Jonas Deas

512 South Kemp Street	Florence	Florence	South Carolina
Street adress	City	County	State

Date Submitted: October 13, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or community to which this report applies: Florence County

Ward, Beat, etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 425

Number instructed at home 100

Number instructed at clinics None

Number instructed other places 600 a. Specify places Churches

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this Week 635

Number successfully registered by this project this week 633

Number denied registration by this project this week 2

a. Reason for denial Illiterate

Number contacted by other means 4000 (Approximately)

a. specify means Radio Station Announcements (WYNN)

Number refusing to participate None

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start Unknown at present

Number of Workers in the Campaign 15

Remarks We were unable to secure the names of the 633 registered Negroes. The books were moved to the different precincts in the county.

17 Robinson ST
Sumter, S.C.
10-23-64

WB
JMV
Leonard

Dear Mr. Wiley.

OCT 26 1964

In our closing day's before election time, we have changed our work to the local community and find we can only do this on a local level, putting more people to work, this has given me more assurance that this is the only way to do it, however some are opposed to this idea, but we are trying to get them, to see what we have done in the past two months. and what has been done in the past 8 months. Dr. Beck has talked with me, and he agreed that this is the best way. It has been very difficult for Dr. Beck to get his reports when the local wards & precints were not well organized. I have suggested to all areas to place a person at the polls

H.P

each day The books are opened. For more Than one reason, it's difficult To obtain names from books and it insure The Negro community That a person is placed at The polls, To assist Them. There is still fear in many parts of The South. My projects as of now Trying To get all communities, old + new groups To work Together for a common goal. That we reach The Top peak in The coming year, in getting more people registered, less parlimentary procedures, and more accomplishment. We are asking all Churches To open Their doors Two day's before The election, in helping citizens To mark ballots, and furnish Transpotation To, and from polls.

Respectfully yours

Frank B. Ritman

WB

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JMC

403 North Dargan Street
Florence, South Carolina
October 24, 1964

Mr. Wiley A. Branton
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

OCT 26 1964

Dear Mr. Branton:

We have on record that there were 633 Negro registrants during the month of September.

We were unable to secure all of the names because the registration books have been transferred to different precincts throughout the county.

Yours truly,

R. N. Beck, Chairman
Sixth Congressional District
Voter Education Project

P. S. The reports of Darlington, Marion and Marlboro will be sent to you later.

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VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of project: Darlington County VEP

Period covered by this report: From Sept. 1 to Sept. 30

Person reporting Mr. A. W. Stanley

1004 S. Main Street — Street adress
Darlington — City
Darlington — County
S. C. — State

Date Submitted: October 30

Election District, County, Parish or community to which this report applies: Darlington

Ward, Beat, etc. — Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 400

Number instructed at home 250

Number instructed at clinics None

Number instructed other places 900 a. Specify places Churches

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this Week 620

Number successfully registered by this project this week 608

Number denied registration by this project this week 12

a. Reason for denial Illiterate

Number contacted by other means

a. specify means

Number refusing to participate None

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start Unknown

Number of Workers in the Campaign 25

Remarks

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of project: Marion County VEP

Period covered by this report: From Sept. 1 to Sept. 30

Person reporting Mr. James A. Hodge

Rte. 2, Box 70 — Mullins — Marion — S. C.
Street adress — City — County — State

Date Submitted: October 30, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or community to which this report applies: Marion

Ward, Beat, etc. — Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 100

Number instructed at home None

Number instructed at clinics None

Number instructed other places 415 a. Specify places Churches

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this Week 90

Number successfully registered by this project this week 90

Number denied registration by this project this week

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. specify means

Number refusing to participate None

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start

Number Unknown

Number of Workers in the Campaign 12

Remarks

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of project: Lee County Voter's Association

Period covered by this report: From September 1 to September 30

Person reporting Mr. Henry Isaac

General Delivery	Elliot,	Lee	S. C.
Street adress	City	County	State

Date Submitted: October 30, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or community to which this report applies: Lee County

Ward, Beat, etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 75

Number instructed at home 38

Number instructed at clinics None

Number instructed other places 300 a. Specify places Churches

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this Week 25

Number successfully registered by this project this week 9

Number denied registration by this project this week 16

a. Reason for denial Illiterate

Number contacted by other means

a. specify means

Number refusing to participate None

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start Unknown

Number of Workers in the Campaign 18

Remarks

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September

SIXTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

1. Precinct or Ward Number

2. Place of Voting

3. County Darlington, South Carolina

4. Your name,adress and certificate number

Name of persons	adress		Certificate no.
McClandon, Sallie M.	6th Street	H	17809
McCall Rte 3	16747	D	16747
McCollough, Sarah J.	Rte 1	D	17707
McCoy, Dorothy	2408 Robinson St.	H	16709
McCoy, Henry Bush	"	H	16703
McCullen,Lawrence	17151	H	17151
McFadden, Beatrice S.	368 Edwards Avenue	D	17446
McFadden, Robert W.	Pine Street	D	18075
McFarland, Jimmy L.	Rte 1	D	13149
McIver,Alice	1610 Poal Street	H	1812
McIver, Alma	301 Avenue D	D	16900
McIver,Betty J.	118 Chestnut St.	D	18617
McIver, Helen	Rte 3	D	17271
McIver, James E.	1016 Poale St	H	17287
McIver, Lizzie	Rte 3	D	17271
McIver,Mary S.	Rte 2 Box 15	D	16532
McLeod,Oscar L	Jasper Avenue	H	17557
McNeal,Pearlie M.	507 Emeral Street	D	17700
McNeal, Willie	1516 Jasper Avenue	H	17706
McRaven, Helen	1516 Jasper St.	H	17537
Nettles, Ellen	Logan Street	H	17922
Nettles, Leatha T.	Rte 2 Box 37	D	17180
Newman, Robert L	2102 6 tht Street	H	10809

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Name of persons	adress		Certificate no.
Newman, Euneath	6th Atreet	H	17108
Newman, Willie Mae	6th Street	H	17107
Norword, Mary A.	6th Street	H	16577
Osterman, Ella L.	Jackson St.	D	17410
Parnell, Loretta C.	Rte 2 Box 284*A	D	17541
Parrott, Bertha	111 Lee Street	D	16902
Parrott, Edward Jr.	"	D	16617
Pearson, Willy	1508 Poale Street	H	17552
Peoples, Casey	Lamar		18340
Peterson,Bobby W.	Rte.2 Box 425	D	17788
Peterson, Martha W.	Rte,2 Box329		16915
Phillips, Claretta J	Rte 1 Box 219		13200
Phillips, Ernest L.	Rte 1		16524
Phillips,Marie L.	Rte 1Box218		16523
Pompey, Elizebeth R.	Rte 3 Box 260		18540
Poole, Boyd	Rte 3		17315
Poole, Catharine	147 Juleswood Dr.		16585
Poole, Rosa L.	Rte 5 16797		
Pooler, Bessie	2109 HamptonSt.		1676
Pooler, Elizebeth B.	1421 Marlboro Avenue		18029
Pooler, Cannon	Hampton Avenue		16769
Pooler, Laura	Rte 2		17402
Lavery Poole	Rte 4 Box 215		17698

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Name of persons	adress	Certificate no.
Prescott. Nelson M.	2206 Tuskegee	17943
Preston, Sameul	497 Jessimine St	17178
Primes, Hestella B.	2004 96h St	17285
Prince, Henry Burnell	1760 6th St.	17824
Ratliff, Paul	Rte 1	17231
Ratliff, Rte.1 Box 249		17238
Reaver, Frank J.	Rte 3 Box 349	17016
Redmaond, Edward J.	1508 Washington St	17930
Richardson, Abraham	POO Box 73	18047
Richardson. Berlin	P.O. Box 73	16945
Richardson, Clara	Rte #	13123
Richardson, Luther	120 Chaplin Ave.	17288
Richardson. Mary E.	120 Chaplin	17924
Richersson, Mary J, 1408 Sumter		17988
Ridger, Louis	P.O. Boc 73	17803
Rivers, Jessie	Rte 1 Box 219	17197
Mary Roberts	1919 Butler	17635
Rovinson. Anni Bell.	1813 6 th 18067	18067
Robinson Snnette C.	1719 Howard	17761
Robinsin Ernest. Rte 1	17036	17036
Leonard Robinson	Rte 3 Box 224	16958
Lorraine Robinson	112 Chalmens St.	k7655
Mable McHeed Robinson	226 Pine Street	17654

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Name of persons	adress	Certificate no.
Robinson, Nehemiah	142 Hunter St	16816
Robinson, Pearl Cannon	Rte 2 Box 184	17266
Robinson, Roosevelt	502 Edwards Avenue	18662
Ross, Emma Capers	304 McIver Rd.	17661
Ross, Mildred S.	316 McIver Rd.	17718
Ross, Sandy	"	17753
Rush, Hezekiah	Rte.5	17652
Russell, BessieM.	2115 Myrtle St.	17017
Russell, Willie D.	316 McIver Rd	17474
Samuel, Barbara J	1506 Washington St.	18084
Samuel, Beaulah H.	441 Guest St	18149
Samuel, Bobby Joe	2103 6th St.	17393
Samuel, David	1625 Linc ln St	17806
Samuel, Dallar	Rte 5, Box 8 171143	17143
Samuel, Edward	115 Whipple St	161929
Samuel, James Boe	559 Second Street	17616
Samuel, Mary A.	Rte 5 Box 8	17354
Samuel, Pearly Jr	441 Guest St	18664
Samuel, Theodosia Mc.	1005 S. Main Street	17620
Sanders, Louise Brunsin	125 Reed Street	17516
Sawyer, Geraldine H.	Rte 5 Box 232	17375
Sansbury, Bernetha	122 Tallulah	17298
Sansbury , Charlotte B.		17075
Scott, Annie Mae	Short Jackson St	17064

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Name of persons	adress	Certificate no.
Scott, Annie Mae	107 Ave. B	17621
Scott, Carretta S.	Hunter Dr	17475
Scott, Dessie M. 131 Gandy		17160
Scott, Willease S.	132 Pine	16626
Scipio, Inez	153 Kirven Street	17001
Scipio, Livinhston A,	239 Jessimine Street½	17476
Segors, Florence S.	Rte 2 Box 1	13131
Segars, Jesse L.	Rte 2 Box 264	1747
Segars, Maline McD.	Rte 2	17109
Shannon, Roxie	114 Chapman St.	17312
Shaw, Annie Brown	Rte 5 Box35-A	16494
Shaw, Jerotha	Rte 3	17481
Shaw, Thomas S.	17482	17482
Helton, Willard S.	1609 Log an St	13152
Shirley, Lillie M.		13154
Shula, Ruth w.	Rte 3 Box 240	16619
Simpson, Eloise	Rte 2	16712
Singleton, Ethel M. P.O. Box 240		10004
Singletary, Hattie Patterson	Rte 2 Box 16	16803
Slatter, Nancy W.	305 Ave. D	
Smart, Beatrice	Lemar	18341
Smith, Alice L	2204½ Myrtle St	17234
~~Smith, Currie~~	Rte 5 Box 50	16800

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Name of persons	adress	Certificate no.
Smith, Helen	123 Jefferson St.	17540
Smith, Martha Lucus	Rte 2	18027
Smith, Noah	Rte 1	17583
Smith, Robert L.	Society Hill	16568
Smith, Sallie M.	Rte. 1 Box 50	18135
Malachia Smoot	190 Kirven St.	16737
Sonéy, Rosa Mae	Rte 2	18070
Spann, Rev Edward Jr.	1901 8th St.	17106
Sparks, Alphonso McP.	2111 Hampton	17122
Sparls. Alta M. 1814 Howard St		16911
Sparks, Lillie L. Short RR Avenue. 17227		17227
Sparks, Sallie Bell	Rte 4 Box 22	17736
Stevenson, Noami F.	Rte 1 Box 204 A	16955
Stroman, Shellie Jr	1635 James Ave,	17051
Stuckey, Henry. 773	7734 Rice Street	16860
Sutton, Florence	Rte 1	17768
Swinson, Marth J,	Rte 1	16995
Taylor, Albert	2115 Hampton St	17479
Tedder, Jesse	Rte 3	17735
Thomas, Eddie L. Rte 2	18012	18012
Thomas, Edna M,		17811
Thomas. Hohn H,	Rte 3	17614
Thomas Joyce	Rte 4	18138

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Name of persons	adress	Certificate no.
Thomas, Louise A.	950 S. M. St.	16946
Thomas Nathaniel	Washington St	13157
Thomas Omiggie	Rte i	17868
Thompson, Allie	Rte 4	17868
Thompson, Eugene	621 Society Hill	16851
Thompson, Susie C.	408 Guest St½	17347
Toney, Annie Mae	Rte 3 Box 299	17770
Toney, Hazel	810 Society Ave.	16681
Bradley, Lucille Trotter	Edwards Avenue	17497
Vaughan ,Willie	143 Jefferson	18647
Vinson,Beatrice	1801½ Rice Street	17390
Waiters, Sammy L	Rte 2 Box 217	17826
Ward, Agnes W.	Rte 2 Box 308	17433
Ward, John	Rte 2 Box 308	17428
Washington, Ruby, S.	Box 127	18334
Waters, Edna M.	1410 Marion Ave,	17436
Wheeler, Margie L	2409 Robinson St.	16969
White, Ivora P.	1300 Lawton Dr.	16722
White Jannette	Society Avenue	18066
Wilds, Bernetha B.	Dovesville	17187
Wilds, Annie M	484 Jessimine	17491
Wiley, Margeret R.	237 Lee St	17105
Williams, Amelia V.	648nSociety Avenue	17105
Wiley, Matie S.	2419 Myrtle	17105

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Name of persons	adress	Certificate no.
Williams,Hercules	Rte1 Box 203	17494
Williams, Ira T.		16492
Williams,PatrickJames	Rte 1	17203
Williams,Johnny L.	1518 Jasper Ave.	17104
Williams, Katharine.	Rte1	17905
Williams, Elvira	Rte 3	17110
Williams, Florie	127 Reid Street St.	18635
Williams,Florrie	301½qAveE.	17195
Williams, Hattie B.	Rte 5	18528
Mamie Williamd	Rte 1Box 149	17201
Williams, Olive B. Williams	Rte 1 Box 149	17207
Williamson,Alma J.	Rte 3 Box 240	18708
Williamson,Ervin	228 Blue St.	18141
Williamson, Josephine	Rte 2	16801
Wilson, Bessie L.	127Reid Street	16826
Wilson,Janie M.	1713 Howard St.	17293
Wilson,Johnny L.	Rte. 5 Box244	18632
Wilson, Louise H.	2206 Myrtle	16987
Wilson,Lutheran Sawyer	228 Avenue B.	16825
Wingate, Dora L.	Rte 2 Box244	18631
Wingate, Merry L.	366 S. Pine St.	16680
Wingate,Maver J.	Rte 1 Box 271 A	18646
Wingate, Wilbert	1914 Butler	17911

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Name of persons	adress	Certificate no.
Witherspoon, Mary Toney	2017 Tuskegee	17871
Woodham, Bessie A.	Rte.2 Box 234	17250
Woodham, Rudelle	Rte 2 13155	
Woodham, Theo	Rtel Box 303	17133
Woods, Estelle J.	824 Lamar Rd.	17418
Wright,James H.	608 Third St	17682
Wright, Lesslee	Rte 4 Box 76	17179
Nettie M S? Wright	Rte 5	18637
Wright, Louise P.	106 Jessimine St.	17225

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Name of persons	adress	Certificate no.
Mack Nicolin	Rte	16604
Manning, Albert	1738 Howard St	17341
Manuel, Betty L.	1305 Mingo Avenue	17255
Manuel, Nancy P.	102 Farm St.	17527
Marcus, Betty S.	124 S. Pine Street	17201
Marcus, Mary K.	Rte 2	17111
Marcus, Ophelia		18357
Marks, Rossevelt	Rte 5 Box 5-A	17115
Grooms Mayo	Rte 1	18382
Mayo, Horace	"	
Mashack,Issaac	1706 8th	17223
Mayshack, Johnny M	1706 8th St.	17219
Millin s, Iren K.	138 Donerial	17484
Millin s Willie C.	138 Donerial	16601
Mills, Easter McC.	149 Peanut St	18644
Millis, Frank .	"	17079
Mitchell, Edna L.	1703 Ho ardSt	17441
Mixon, Ophelia	Lamar	18351
Moore, Lula M.	Rte 1	17644
Moore, Sypvaster John	1804 6th St	16912
Morris, Dennis	1624 6th St	18040
Jacobs, Henreitta	Rte 2	17112
Morris, Herbert	"	13127
Mosby, Estelle	229 Jackson St	16890
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Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.
Frank Rowell	Marion	1527
Amos Phillips		1552
Leva Parsley		1845
Lola Roberts		1504
Evelyn Foxworth		1846
Edith Taylor		1539
Willie Leonard		1411
Pearlie Mae Dozier		1365
Jannie Taylor		1541
Allen Crawford		1847
Katie B. Graves		1542
Essie M. Brown		1849
J. D. Moore		1850
Osean Cross		1510
Ezel Williams		1545
Sam Taylor		1548
Lizzie T. King		1511
Sarah M. Williams		1544
Alex Abram		1577
Margarel Johnson		1547
Nora D. Dunham		1546

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Name of persons you take to register.	Address	Certificate no.
Willena Tart	**Nichols**	372
Minnie Bethea	**Nichols**	334
Betty Gilchrist	**Nichols**	333
Bertha Tucker	**357 Nichols**	357
James H. Gilchrist	**Nichols**	338
Monroe Tart, Jr.	**Nichols**	335

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Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.
Golden Mack	Marion	1528
Maude M. Gerald	"	1589
Lillie Mae Gerald	"	1426
Hannie J. McKnight	"	1425
Ruby Campbell	"	1866
Florence L. Miles	"	1868
Sophia M. Palmer	"	1538
Isadora S. Williams		1537
Rena F. Simmons	"	1874
Mamie Walker	"	1541
Lillie Moses	"	1542
Charlotee L. Willimas	"	1543
Earlie Mae Gibons	"	1544
Elder M. Wright	"	1425
Addie Wilson	"	1545
Annie M. Singleton	"	1883
Dorothy Lee Williams	"	1885
Isaih Smith	"	1508
Amada Woodberry		1551
Josephine R. Thomas		1246
Alice Williams		1886

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Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.
Aazilee Williamson	Proctor St.	1464
Mattie O. Ward	Broad St.	1429
Douglas Ward	Broad St.	1430
Frances Williams	Rte. 1	1412
Ola Mae Williams	Rte. 1	1420
Milton S. Williams	Jones Ave.	1369
Eula M. Witherspoon	Gapway St.	1349
Margaret L. Simmons	Rte. 1	1539
Franklin Timmons	Prevatte St.	1360
Anita L. Timmons	Prevatte St.	1358
Annie Ruth Odom	Cypress St.	1222
Pearline Owens	Rte. 1	1384
Martha R. Smith	Church St.	1385
Franklin Reaves	Smith St.	1541
Carlee Simmons	Rte. 3	1194
Alfrieda B. Shaw	Bay St.	1350
Milton Page	Front St.	1282
Irene D. Page	Front St.	1334
Lizzie McCown	Rte. 1	1472
Ada G. Murphy	Bay St.	1188
Vernie Mae Melette	Seaboard Ave.	1426

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Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.
Isabella Snow	Rt. 2	1436
Wallace Snow	Rt. 2	1437
Blanche Simmons	Lowman Street	1438
Juanita Smith	Barnes St.	1626
Sarah Williams	Rte. 2	1542
Edna Lee Wheeler	Rte. 2	1543
Mary A. Weeks	Rte. 3	1418
Freddie Page	Rte. 2	1325
Dorothy Platt	Lowman St.	1419
George D. Powell	Rte. 2	1461
Rosa Roberts	Dixon St.	1314
Shirley Raeford	Rte. 2	1423
Ronald Rhames	Church St.	1429
Emma R. Reaves	McIntyre St.	1432
James Reaves	Church St.	1454
Elouise Reaves	Church St.	1460
Mamie Rich	Rte. 2	1627
Elsie Strange	Dixon St.	1246
Edna Smith	Rte. 2	1307
Earnestine Nichols	Rte. 2	1458
Gary Nichols	Rte. 2	1488

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Name of persons	adress	Certificate no.
Lighty, Helen G.	Rte 3 Box 222	17273
Lighty, Letha	1801 8th St.	17593
Lighty, Ruby D.	2002 8th St.	1805
Lighty, Woster	414 B. St	17941
Lindsey, David	484 Jessimine St.	17466
Annie Mae Lindsey	"	17466
Leavery, David D.	Rte 2	17235
Lucus, Celeste M.	Rte 2 Box 256	17628
Lucus, Clory H.	Rte 1	13204
Lucus Elizebeth	1612 Logan Avenue	18507
Lucus, Harrington	"	178865
Lunn, Ansandra B.	Rte 1 Box 15	16526
Emma Lunn	110 Avenue D	18129
Geor gania W. Lunn	Rte 3 Box 323	16608
Lunn, Lillie M.	457 First St.	17270
Lunn, Mary E? Kelly	146 Plum St	13687
Lynch, Walker	Harlington Dr	18068
Mack, Ethella M.	407 J.L. Blvd	17653
Mack, Matthew	1732 6th St	17887
Mack Mildred P.	"	17950

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Name of persons	adress	Certificate no.
Alford, Susanna D.	Rte 1	17118
Adams, Sallie L,	Hartsville	17613
Abraham, Mozelle B.	344 Second Street	17684
Abraham, Luvenia M.	452 Third St.	17253
Aaron, Willie Mae	1531 Marion Ave.	17910
Arthur, Gary	Lydia	16490
Alston, Ernestine	Rte 2	16334
Bull, Archie	121 Joe Louis Blvd.	18133
Bull, Earline E.	20;7 Hampton Street	18599
Bull, Josephine B.	121 J.L. Blvd	18648
Burno, Albert K.	1704 Howard	17556
Burris, Albert B.	Rte 2	18650
Law, Henry	491 Edwards Avenue	18616
Lawson, Nettie L.	Rte 1 Box 365	16717
Leach, Sarah T.	2012 Tuskegee 17845	17845
Lee, Eliza J.	Rte 2 Box 22	16993
Lee, Lessie	Ret. 2 Box 36	13196
Lee, Viola	Rte 1	17944
Leonard, Romeo	1608 Marion Ave.	17915
Lewis, Ray	Rte 4	1765
Lide, Blanche Andrews	Rte 1	18032
Lide, Gerogia A.	"	18130
Lide, Josephine H.	Rte 5	17277
Lide, Walter C.	Darlington	17278

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Bowen, Pensicola	1940 Batter	17827
Bowen Agnes	1912 6th	17459
Boseman, Amelta S.	Hartsville	18690
Bonaparte, Willie Mae	18165	18165
Millings Bonaparte	Lee Street	17456
Bonaparte, McArthur	138 Kirven	17326
Bonaparte, Lula M.	Rte 5	17738
Benton, Mattis	111 Ave C.	17490
Berry, Easter P.	106 Ave. C.	17729
Bess, Rufus	647 Chestnut Street	17610
Bess, McKenzie	254 Chestnut St	17082
Bess, Mrs Floyd	Rte 1	17596
Austin, N	266 5th St.	17575
Arthur Johnson	1608 Logan St	16661
Arthur, Geroge	First St Ext.	18150
Arthur, Cora L.	1608 Logan St	16665
Arnold, Memcie L	Rte 1	17867
Alston, Elih M.	1734 Flecher St	17929
Alston, Eddie	"	17812
Alsbrooks,Parolle	2510 Robinson St.	16610
Alsbrooks, Ollie I.	2526 6 th St/	17114
Allen, Edward Henry	1409 Marlboro St.	17582

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Benjamine, James Jr.	Rte 1	17085
Benjamine, Marie S.	2303 Robinsin St½	13136
Benjamine, Marie S.	Rte i	17083
Bennette, Jessie Mae	Darlin gton Avenue	16926
Bennette,	Rosa L. 1024 Jasper St.	17641
Baccus, Louise	141 Jordan St	17209
Bacote, Ben	Rte 1	17524
Bacote Bernetha A.	Rte 5	17316
Bacote, Everline	Rte 3	17419
Brown, Eulalia	319 Brockington St	18681
Brown, Elizebeth, Elizebeth J.	1911 8th St	18658
Brown, Carrie B.	Society Hill	18658
Broome, Gertrude	229 Hickory St	17600
Broome, Jimmie	"	17489
Broach, Martha J.	Rte 2	18666
Brock, Carrie B.	107 Jefferson St.	17489
Bristow, Vivian C.	Darlington	18144
Bristow, Ruth	Darlington	18034
Bristow, J.S.	Darlington	17673
Brewer, Cassie S.	Hartsville	17126
Brabham, Rosaland E.	241 Ave. D.	17146
Bradley, Ellerson	1504 Washington St	17876
Boykin, James L. 1917	1917 Hudson St/	17801

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Brown, Luke H.110 Chapman Cr.	110 Chapman Cr.	17679
Brown, James P.	110 590 Second Street	18633
Brown B	145 Farm Street	18644
Brown, Helen W.	Rte 2 Box 536	13197
Bishop, Clarence, jr	132 Chapman Cr.	17936
Bishop, Felicia Rte	Rte 1	17759
Bishop, Hallie I.	Rte 1	17531
Bishop, Lillie J.		17760
Bishop, Marion	406 C. St	17328
Mary, Bishop	1528 Marion St	17907
Bishop Moses	1915 Petts St	17498
Bishop, Ola M.	132 Chapman St	17756
Blackmon, John E.	17[illegible]4	17544
Blackmon, Nannie	Rte 4	17886
Bialr, Jaunita P.	542 Broad St	17301
Bonaparte, Lawson	109 Red St.	17078
Bass, Sarah M.	Rte 2	16959
Beasley, Katharine	1912 Hudson St	17624
Beasley, Rosa L.	"	17832
Bell, Junious	169 Kirven St/	17452
Bell, Mildred	1[illegible] "	16940
Benjamine, Eula M.	1406 Jasper St.	16704
~~Benjamine, Fannie M.~~ Benjamine,	2303 Robinson St.	13133

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Ketter, Charles	1602 Howard St	17780
Ketter, Lillie M.	1403 Lawrence Avenue	16871
Ketter, Willard	1729 Howard St	17555
Knox, Zora Bell	Rte 1 McBee	17870
Burton, Emma E.	Box 199A	17241
Bynum, Romell	115 Farm St	18639
Byrd, Almeta P.	1725 6th St.	17256
Byrd, Betty A.	Rte 1 Box 152	17228
Byrd, Robert M	2217 6th st	;6751
Byrd Shirley B.	1705 6th. St.	17513
Byrd, Van Jr.	1725½ 6th St.	18119
Brunson	2508 6th St.17165	~~17165~~
Bruce, Walter Jr.	Tallalluan Street	17502
Allien C. Bruce	131 Plum St	17749
Bruch, Loretta H.	110 Tallulah St	17501
Bruch, Joshua	306 Avenue C.	17681
Bruce, Early Jr.	Rte 5 Box 133	18679
Brown, Teezee W.	Rte 1 Box 119	18679
Brown,Rufus	253 Jefferson St	18626
Broen Dearjie M.	309 Edwards Ave.	18142
Brown, Mozelle B.	Darlington	18667
Brown, Mary	1513 Jasper St	16966
Martha Brown	1418 Marion St.	16628

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Jordan, Charlotte C.	464 S, main St.	17302
Jordan Mamie	Rte 5 Box 45	18642
Jackson, Jule	Rte 1	17532
Jackson, Louise	1811 Howard St	16543
Jackson Rebecca F. 920 S?H? Avenue		;7136
Jacobs, Arron	Rte 1	16883
Jacobs, Elease R.	Rte 1	16886
Jacobs, Sylvia J.	1427 Canning Avenue	17798
James, Betty Wilds	1910 Potts St	18620
James Jannie L.	2311 Robinson St	17866
James, Jerome	1510 Jasper St.	18117
Hallie Jefferson	1734 5th St.	17948
Jeffery, Eugene	Rte 2	16983
Ruth Jeffery	29th St	17843
Jerry, Doretha J	1412 S. Main St.	16593
Jett, Addie H	1519 James St.	13192
Jett, Gloria Rte 3	17454	17454
Jett, Mary	123 Church St	17119
Jett, Mary A.	Rte	16638
June, Sallie L	1715 Howard St	18085
Jordan Mazinee M	114 Avenue B.	17018
Jordan Mary H.	148 Jordan St	17485
Kale, Margaret E. 253	253 Allen At.	17351

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Name of persons	adress	Certificate no.
Jackson, Dorothy Mae	Rte 1	17857
Jackson, Edith G.	112 Avenue E	18671
Jackson, Eloise S.	Rte 4 Box 333	17450
Jackson, Ila Loreen	1426 Washington St.	17828
Jett, Nathanial	108 Howards St.	16818
Jett, Raleigh	1519 James Avenue	17539
Robert Jett		13191
Jett, Robert	489 Jessimine St	17579
Johnson, Deoris Maria	Rte 3 Box 240	16973
Johnson , Ernestine B.	Rte 4 Box ~~140~~ 216	18146
Johnson, Fannie	Rte 5	17576
Johnson, Gladys		18347
Johnson, Hanie Jr.	Rte 5 Box 227	17362
Johnson, Julia L.	Rte 3 Box 57	16528
Johnson, Julia		
Johnson, Julia, C. Rte 3	17430	17430
Johnson, Lionel	P?O Box 243	13144
Johnson, Louise Granville	107 Church St	17059
Johnson, Ophelia	1511 Logan Avenue	17437
Johnson, Queen E.	501 Limit St	16540
Johnson, Sarah Belle	604 Third Street	18624
Johnson, William	Rte 5	18652
Johnson, Willie L.	Rte 1	17296
Jackson, Ruth Johnson	Rte 4	17443
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Ham, Berneatha L	Rte 1	16823
Ham, Junious	Rte 1	16824
Ham, Robert L	105 Church St.	13181
Hamlin, Martha L.	108 Stone Road	17473
Hammonds, Rosa L. 109	1091 S. Main St	17743
Hammonds, Ruth	2216 Nyrtle St	17923
Harkless, Lottie M.	1523 Jasper St	17307
Harlee, Quincy	Rte 2	17396
Jackson, Isabel	1511 Tallulson St	17204
Harrington, Rena	Rte 2	16886
Harris,Martha Jean Verner	2414 6th St.	17623
Harris, Tommie	Rte 4	18069
Hurry, Abraham Rebell	Rte 2	17722
Hatchet, Fate	2608 5th St	18018
Hawkins, Lina M.	462 S. Main St/	18685
Hawkins, Mary Louise	1723½ 6th St	17436
Haynes, Agney Thomas	16716	16716
Heatley , Dian	2416 6th St	17779
Heatley, Rosa L. 2018 Hampton		17842
Henderson, Henreitta	1732½ 6th St.	17947
Ingram, Dorothy J.A.	2606 5th St	17578
Ings,Dorin L.	Rte 1	18055
Issaac , Arsenia	Box53	17247
Issaac, Julia Mae	Rte 4	17533

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Hunter, Margaret	Rte 3	17308
Hunter, Robert L.	259 Tallulah St	18618
Hunter, Rosa L	Rte 1	18052
Hughes, Hattie E. 1517 Sunter Street	166	16634
Huff, Persiller	2012 Hampton	17591
Huff, Beulah M.	2012 Hampton	17846
Hudson, Leupen S.	Rte 3	17336
Hudley, Ophelia D.	Rte 1	17190
Hough, Jimmie	1403 Russell	17912
Hough, Jannie Mae	2305 Rob nson St	17042
Hicks, Annie Mae	153 Jules Wood Dr.	17509
Hicks, David Jr.	502 Rainroad Avenue	17243
Hicks, Gladys Mae	Rte 3	17117
Hicks, Herbert	405 Syracuse St	17086
Hicks, James W.	16o5 Howard St.	13137
Hill, Elizebeth S.	748 Dargan Street	16687
Hines, Ethel	117 Tallulah St	17710
Hines, Mary Louise	1815 Rice St/	17849
Hines, Neverseen K.	Pearl St	16589
Hines, Wilber	2114 Hampton Street	18078
Hollo ay, Bernetha	1o3 third St	17335
Holmes, Gwendolyn	2502 Robinson	17044
Hall, Willie	Rte 3	17570

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Goodson, Leo	309 Avenue D	17688
Goodson, Virginia C.	308 McIver Road	17716
Graham, Betty L.	122 Pine St	17734
Graham, Daisy Mae	Rte 1	18619
Graham, Ellie	Rte 3	17507
Graham, Mabel D	603 Society Hill	17518
Graham, Maude	Rte 1	17091
Graham, Rosa Mae	Rte 1	18612
Graham, Sarj L.	Rte 3	16817
Green, John L. Rte 2		17158
Green Raymond	Rte 3 Box 20	18656
Gregg, David	1512 James Avenue	17309
Gtegg, Hattie Mae	112 Hampton	18019
Gregg, Robert C.	141 Mt. Clair Rd.	17492
Gregg, Robert L.	2113 Ha,pton	18003
Gregg, Robert L.J.	Rte 3	17323
Gregg, Wilhekmina M.	Rte 3	17536
Gregg Willie M. -	2101 Myrle St.	17859
Hunter, Alease P.	1718 8th St	17921
Hunter, Betty J.	Rte 3 Mt Claire Rd	17449
Candis Johnson Hunter	S. Main St.	13309
Hunter, Carl, Jr.	243 Mt Claire Rd	13205
Hunter, Estelle	1115 S. Main St	17530

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Evans, Betty Ruth	107 Opal Street	17639
Evans, Cassie Lewis	651 S. Main St.	18620
Evans, Gerogia Mae	Rte 2	18385
Evans, Harden Jr.	Rte 2	16491
Ezelial, Lessie	469 Hickory St.	16602
Fountain, Luella H.	Rte 1	16961
Fountain, Willie	Rte 1	16700
Fox, Catharine	Rte 2	13161
Fox, Elizebeth D.	Rte 1 Box 19	17657
Fox, Foster	Rte 2	13162
Fox, Ross Jr.	Rte 1	17712
Franks, Mary L. C.	229 Avenue D	17411
Frazier, Cleo B.	2023 Tuskegee St.	17758
Frazier, Willie Mae	P.O Box 183	18152
Grooms, Louise A.	Rte 2 Lamar	18372
Gardner, Mary	rte 5	16815
Gardner, Blanche J.	1804 8th St	17926
Gilbert, Beulah	Rte 2	18670
Gilbert, Glover	Rte i	18154
Gilmore, Eddie Jr.	232 Chestnut Street	16684
Gilmore, Daisy B.	232 Chestnut Street	17618
Glover, Louise	1511 Linclon St.	17267
Goodson, Ernestine G	477 Pine Street	16582

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Name of persons	adress	Certificate no.
Bacote, Gertie	1602 Brewer Avenue	17412
Bacote, James Willie	1602 Brown	17080
James Franklin Bacote	P.O Box 462	16876
Bacote, Lucy Mae	Rte. 3 Box 224	17580
Bacote, Mattie McR.	230 Avenue D.	17740
Bacote, Rebecca S.	Rte 1	17528
Ballard, Jannie Mae	490 Jessimine Street	17496
Barcus	Rte 4 Box 236	17360
Barno, Sherman L.	675 S. Main Street	16948
Campbell, James E.	1130 Society Hill Ave.	16852
Cannon, Isbell H.	Rte 2	17458
Cannon, Leroy	Rte 2	17461
Carolina, Rossevelt B.	1406 Sumter	17595
Channie, Bradley P.	1814 6th	18111
Charles, Carrie	Rte 3	17134
Chavis, Laura	1614 Jasper St.	18099
Clair, Martha Anna	1725 8th	16631
Clair, Robert	1725 8th	17822
Coe Arthur	2115 Hampton	17138
Coe, Clyde Rev.	Rte 1 Box 317	16658
Coe, Harweda 2215	2215 Hampton	17138
Coe, Jannie C.	Rte 1	18148
Coe, John C.	Rte 2	17477

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Coe, Luevilla	Rte 1	17414
Coe, Mabel	Rte 2	17470
Coe, Peggy Ann	457½ First St.	17283
Coe, Willie M. T.	2115 Hampton	17125
Coefield, Jessie M/	118 Franklyn	16803
Cooper, Willie Mae	211 Bacote Street	16856
Copeland, Eldon, Jr.	Rte 2	18124
Copeland Fostenn M.		18388
Copeland, James	Rte 2	18393
Copeland, Marion	1506 Washington St.	18022
Copeland, ~~Marion~~ Mary		18394
Cosom, Carthy Lee	223 Brunson St.	17671
Cosom. Lillie M.	Rte 2 Box 237	18645
Council, Donella B.	Rte 4	13193
Cummings, Daniel	P.O Box ~~237~~ 52	16848
Cummings, Marjona	P.O Box 52	16847
Curry, Rosa O'neal	Rte 3	17767
Curtis, Robert	Rte 3	17403
Danzy, Eve Lee	1710 6th St.	16704
Dargan Allen	146 Donerial	16807
Lindburg Dargan	131 Hunter	16539
Dargan, Lucille	145 Donarial St.	16545
Dargan, Raliegh L.	Rte 3	17670

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Davis, Eddie		17508
Davis Frank	Rte 4	17574
Davis, James	Rte 2	17877
Davis Josephine	Rte 4	17568
Davis, Leroy	430 First St	18011
Davis, Lucy M.	4301	17517
Davis Mary Ella	417 Kirven St.	17850
Davis, Marie	403 Geust	17330
Davis Ruperlia	337 Avenue D.	17384
Davis Sallie	301 Allen St.	17265
Dalaine P	1633 James Avenue	17094
Delaine, Winniw S.	1633 James Avneue	18007
Denley, Essie	224 Brunson St.	17754
Denmark, Daisy	511 Joe Louis Blvd	17139
Denmark Robert		17144
Dial, Fred	Rte 4	17542
Dillon, Cora C.	406 T.Street	16830
Dixon, George H.	333 Avenue D	13173
Dixon, Henry	Hartsville	17447
Dixon, Willie	917 South Hill	17769
Douglas, Arthur	1725 8th Street	17317
Douglas, Berder Lee		17222
Douglas, Estella	Rte 4 Box 14	17563

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Name of persons	adress	Certificate no.
Douglas, Hattie	1725 8th St.	17327
Dubose, Major Jr.	Rte 4	18615
Dubose, Martha Lide	Rte 4	18621
Ophelia Mack	143 Hunter Street	17318
Dukes, Alice	Rte 2 Box 65B	17388
Dundy, Lillie M.	1409 Jasper-	17565
Echols, Minnie	300 Avenue C.	17010
Edwards, Annie L.	Rte 3	17313
Edwards, Gleveland	2025 Tuskegee	19965
Edwards, Enoch Jr.	Rte 3	16957
Edwards, Jessie L.	1629 Sunter	16821
Edwards, Lillie M.	2010 Hampton	17755
Merion, Edwards	1629 Sunter St.	16549
Elleby, Geneva	112 Chapman Cr.	17888
Elleby, Edward Jr.	"	17889
English, Inez	218 Elbon Road	13171
English, Uylesses	237 Avenue	16861
Enoch, Melton James	Lydia	16635
Enoch, Polly M.	Lydia	16641
Ervin, Catharine	483 Danial S.	16573
Ervin, Ella Mae	Rte 2	16997
Ervin, Jessie Bee	Rte 4	18137
Evens, Benjamin Jr.	107 Opal St.	17608

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Name of persons	adress	Certificate no.
Mosby, Thomasina E.	229 Jackson St.	16609
Mumford, Iona	1613 6th Street	17032
Murphy,Berth M.	1617 Lo an St	17442
Murphy, Willie James	Rte 2	17246
Muphy, Joe L. 1612 Logan Street	1612 Logan Street	18028
Murray, Ellen B.	302 Allen Street	17381
Murray, Nathiniel	Allen Stret	17382
Murray, Ruth G.	Rte,3	13172
Myers Charles	523 Tillotson St.	18106
Mack, Alonzo	485 Jessimine St.	16859
McCain, Carrie L	1320 Marlboro Avenue	1796
McCall, Annie M. Rte 1 box 26-A		17103
McAllister, John	307 Allen Street	16679
McCall , Arthur	145 Jefferson	17499
McCall, Dorothy J.	159 Jefferson	1704
McCall, Elizibeth W.	Rte 3 Box 133	17152
?cCall, Ernest	First St. Ext.	16693
McCall, James 148 Jefferson St	149 Jefferson St	17523
McCall, Josephine P.	108 Fitst St.	17465
McCall Rosa L.	Dovesville	16941
McCall, Shirley	Rte 1 Box26-A	17116
McClain, Primrose	Lamar	17304
McClandon, Marcus	6th Street	17081

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2. Place of Voting Marion Courthouse

3. County Marion

4. Your name, address and certificate no. Mrs. Emma H. Holloway

	Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.
1	Marion Holloway, Jr.	Marion	1805
2	Daisy Martin	Marion	1807
3	Tom Mason	Marion	1809
4	Oscar Z. Rowell	Marion	951
5	Jewell Davis	Marion	1810
6	Mary Louise Platt	Marion	181
7	Henry Boatwright	Marion	364
8	Lillie O. Woods	Marion	1817
9	Eliza M. Townsend	Marion	1818
10.	Weston Legette	Marion	1820
11.	Bessie Legette	Marion	1819
12.	Maggie E. Davis	295 Marion	1890
13.	Mammie Fladger	Marion	295
14.	Pansey F. Conner	Marion	1825
15.	Eloise B. Wall	Marion	770
16.	Margauette C. McClary	Marion	440
17.	Dorothy E. Fludd	Marion	307
18.	Mattie M. Jefferson	Marion	308
19.	Jimmie James	Marion	122
20.	Eunice W. Conner	Marion	1493
21.	Willie M. Johnson	Marion	1487

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2. Place of Voting Marion Courthouse

3. County Marion

4. Your name, address and certificate no. Mrs. Emma H. Holloway
Route 2, Box 224 1661

	Name of persons you take to register.	Address	Certificate no.
22.	Helen Davis	Mullins	1554
23.	Easter Mae Barr	Mullins	1555
24.	Grady Platt	Mullins	46
25.	Sherley A. Simmons	Mullins	253
26.	Minnie Davis	Mullins	1660
27	Julian Morgan Jr.	Mullins	1663
28	Joseph L. Smith	Mullins	1666
29	Daniel Nance	Mullins	1566
30	Pattie Hayes	Mullins	1071
31	Jule Hayes	Mullins	29
32	Hazel Hinderson	Mullins	1617
33	Martha Ransom	Mullins	1684
34	Cleo Williams	Mullins	1697
35	Mitchell Smith	Mullins	1698
36	Willie L. Edwards	Mullins	478
37	Phylis E. Howard	Mullins	1583
38	Rosephine Davis	Mullins	1581
39	Lynn Elsie Wilson	Mullins	1158
40	Elouise G. Everett	Mullins	1582
41	Lucy Genwright	Mullins	260
42	Burley D. Armstrong	Mullins	1726

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4. Your name, address and certificate no.

	Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.
43.	Lonnie Lee Wall	Marion	1491
44.	Nellie M. Cox	Marion	1314
45.	Vera R. Paige	Marion	1832
46	Ruth B. Hemmingway	Marion	1833
47	Francina Bryant	Marion	1828
48.	Joe Louis Sparks	Marion	1834
49.	Dorothy M. Bryant	Marion	1835
50.	Maggie Scott	Marion	1838
51.	Constance Smith	Marion	1507
52.	Minnie E. Mason	Marion	1839
53.	Rosa G. Towe	Marion	1422
54.	Edward Mills	Marion	1840
55.	Bertha A. Gibson	Marion	464
56.	Paul McKnight	Marion	250
57.	Inez S. Fogan	Marion	1283
58.	Luther Berry	Marion	1856
59.	Hughie Davis	Marion	605
60.	Rosa S. Lester	Marion	302
61.	Martha Ford	Marion	1591
62	Rena D. Hodge	Marion	1862
63.	Beatrice Hughes	Marion	1863

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3. County Marion

4. Your name, address and certificate no. Mrs. Emma H. Holloway
Route 2, Box 224 1661

	Name of persons you take to register.	Address	Certificate no.
64.			
65.	Wilson Braham	Cenetery	303
66.	Hattie Bell Brunson	Cenetery	304
67.	Janie L. Mc Cray	Cenetery	309
68.	Katie Dixon	Nichols	416
69	J. M. Bragdon	Nichols	1118
70.	Albertha Knowlin	Pee Dee	252
71.	Minnie L. Stubbins	Pee Dee	253
72.	Lerie Fore	Pee Dee	254
73.	Elizabeth Brown	Pee Dee	255
74.	William H. Dickerson	Pee Dee	256
75.	Neil Cox	Pee Dee	85
76.	Georgia Knowlean	Pee Dee	259
77.	Goldie Bethea	Pee Dee	261
78.	Amelia Lester	Pee Dee	262
79.	Mary Lee Genwright	Mullins	254
80.	Ben Genwright Jr.	Mullins	255
81.	Monore Johnson	Mullins	184
82	Phillip Bell Jr.	Rains	440
83.	John Currie Jr.	Rains	336
84.	Maggie Scott	Marion	1838

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1. Precinct or Ward Number 5, Total number registered - 80

2. Place of Voting Conway, South Carolina

3. County Horry

4. Your name, address and certificate no. Dr. P. C. Kelly

Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.
1. Violo R. Geralds	Rte. 2 Galivants Ferry, S.C.	23887
2. Rosie Lee Geralds	Rte. 2 Galivants Ferry, S.C.	23886
3. Effie DeWitt	421 Ann St., Conway, S. C.	23923
4. Isaac Parmley	1708 Brown St., Conway, S.C.	292TR
5. Audrey Weaver	1672 Ninth Ave., Conway, S.C.	23926
6. George Benning Jr.	Whittemore St., Conway, S.C.	23895
7. Sanders Green	Rte. 5, Conway, S. C.	5636
8. Genevia Grissette	Rte 5, Conway, S. C.	23645
9. Hattie Mae Wilson	" " " " "	2387
10. John Doctor, Jr.	" " " " "	363TR
11. Ida Doctor	" " " " "	23637
12. Leonnel Hill	" " " " "	23639
13. Edna Mae Hill	" " " " "	23633
14. Henry Wilson	" " " " "	23682
15. Roxie Farewell	" " " " "	23730
16. Catherine DeWitt	" " " " "	23700
17. Barbara DeWitt	" " " " "	23701
18. Mary B. Johnson	" " " " "	18003
19. Mary Gloria Johnson	" " " " "	23705
20. Marybelle Johnson	" " " " "	23903

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2. Place of Voting Conway, South Carolina

3. County Horry

4. Your name, address and certificate no. Dr. P. C. Kelly

Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.
21. Orée Mitchell	Rte. 5, Conway, S.C.	23892
22. Robert Alston	" " " " "	23948
23. Henry Bowens	Friendship St., Conway	23662
24. Payton Bolden	Suggs St., Conway, S.C.	23889
25. Eleanor Baker	Box 243, Myrtle Beach, S.C.	23692
26. Irene Beckman	Ward Circle, Conway	23977
27. Mary Bellamy	1705 Singleton St., Conway	23965
28. Mamie Keith	1607 Ward Circle, Conway	23972
29. Walker, John	908 Highway 378, "	23916
30. Berne Powell	Tinker Ave. Conway	23715
31. Mary Jones	Highway 378, Conway	23714
32. Arrette King	DeWitt St., Conway, S. C.	23697
33. Laura Grate	Sixteenth St., Conway, S.C.	23696
34. Charles Crosby	Rte. 5, Conway, S. C.	23709
35. Lois Session	Race Path Ave., Conway	23712
36. Sallie Walls	" " " "	23713
37. Sam Kelly	DeWitt St., Conway, S. C.	23675
38. Carolyn Lelly	" " " " "	23674
39. Elizabeth Pertell	Thompson St., Conway	23673
40. Osie Lee Brantley	Race Path Ave., Conway	23680

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2. Place of Voting Conway, South Carolina

3. County Horry

4. Your name, address and certificate no. Dr. P. C. Kelly

Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.
41. Mary Alice Hill	Georgetown, Conway	23681
42. Elizabeth Davis	Sixteen Ave., Conway	23711
43. Henry Bowens	Friendship St. "	23662
44. Weldon Floyd	Box 391, Conway, S. C.	23663
45. General Green	Church St. " " "	23676
46. Mary Gregg	Thompson St., Conway	23677
47. Juanita Smith	Box 243, Myrtle Beach	23694
48. Carrie Smalls	Dunbar St. " "	23696
49. Bertha Williams	Harlem St. " "	23693
50. Bertha Livington	Box 1659, " "	23630
51. Jack Harvey	Box 531 " "	23627
52. Hermena Harvey	" " " "	23628
53. Louise White	Box 1780, " "	23632
54. Addie L. Lee	General Delivery, Myrtle Beach,	23725
55. Rosie L. Himbert	c/o Box 531, Myrtle Beach	23724
56. Nathan Vereen	Box 1517 Carver St. Myrtle Beach	23723
57. Callie McIver	Box 122 Myrtle Beach	23959
58. Jessie M. Dozier	Myrtle Beach, S. C.	23066
59. Rosa Bell Jenkins	" " " "	23970
60. Juanita Ross	" " " "	23979

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2. Place of Voting Conway, South Carolina

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4. Your name, address and certificate no. Dr. P. C. Kelly

Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.
61. Lula Bell Holiday	Myrtle Beach, S.C.	23980
62. Annie Mae Weston	" " " "	23960
63. Albertha Campbell	" " " "	23962
64. Shirley Goings	" " " "	23964
65 Nathan Campbell	" " " "	23961
66. Sterletta E. Greene	" " " "	23727
67. Rosa Lee Spivey	Rte.1 Box 70, Myrtle Beach	23725
68. Avis Heyward	Myrtle Beach, S. C.	23728
69. Charlie D. Smalls	" " " "	23721
70. Geneva Smalls	" " " "	23733
71. Roena McKing	" " " "	291TR
72. Lacy Wilson	P.O. Box 527, Myrtle Beach	23885
73. Rosa Small	Rte.1, Box 278 " "	23884
74. Thomas Geathers	1300 Carver St " "	23737
75. Easter Mae Butler	Myrtle Beach, S. C.	23907
76. Myrtle Gore	" "N " "	23906
77. Gertrude Sanders	" " " "	23904
78. Gracie R. Stackhouse	Box 1400, Myrtle Beach	23634
79. Sadie Gore	Myrtle Beach, S. C.	23631
80. Oasie Mae Chestnut	P.O. Box 1678, Myrtle Beach	23722

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1. Precinct or Ward Number

5. Total number registered - 10

2. Place of Voting **Bishopville**

3. County **Lee**

4. Your name, address and certificate no. **Mr. Henry W. Isaac**

	Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.
1	Carnes Duren		
2	James McGill		
3	Geneva Wilson		
4	Willie Richardson		
5	Annie M. Wilson		
6	Essie Wilson		
7	Nancy ~~McDonald~~ Harry		
8	Emma McDonald		
9	Jake Rouse		
10	Susie Franklin		

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1. Precinct or Ward Number

5. Total number registered - 46

2. Place of Voting **Darlington**

3. County **Darlington**

4. Your name, address and certificate no. **Mr. Arthur W. Stanley**

Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.
1 Alston, Earnestine		16440
2 Arthur, Gary		16490
3 Bacote, Leatha		16400
4 Brown, Loala		16525
5 Campbell, Nettie		16484
6 Cherry, Rufus		16513
7 Coe, James		16376
8 Curtis, Dora		16521
9 Curtis, Sammie		16409
10. Davis, Mildred		16518
11. Darry, Helen		16369
12. Dubose, William		16363
13. English, William		16458
14. Ervin, Ethel		16340
15. Hines, Levenes		16330
16. Hodges, James		16375
17. Jett, Julia		16234
18 James, Eleanor		16399
19. James, Charles		16397
20. James, Mary		16391

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2. Place of Voting **Darlington**

3. County **Darlington**

4. Your name, address and certificate no. **Mr. Arthur W. Stanley**

	Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.
21.	Kelley, George		16437
22.	Kelley, Harry L.		16432
23.	Kelley, Mamie		16341
24.	Mack, Mary		16476
25.	McPhail, Doris		16873
26.	Morten, Carylon		16324
27.	Myers, Willie Ann		16516
28.	Nelson, Verlie		16329
29.	Nelson, Walter		16327
30.	Nettles, John P.		16394
31.	Reed, Katherine		16456
32.	Robinson, Benjeman		16463
33.	Robinson, Robert O.		16354
34.	Rogers, Carl		16480
35	Samuel, Etta		16414
36.	Samuel, Gladio		16413
37.	Sanders, Edward		16351
38.	Gladys Sanders		16505
39.	Sanders, Mamie		16506
40	Sawyer, Sena		16431

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2. Place of Voting **Darlington**

3. County **Darlington**

4. Your name, address and certificate no. **Mr. Arthur W, Stanley**

Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.
41. Teduer, Ruth J.		16430
42. Thomas, Gertel		16515
43. Warsaw, Fredrick D.		16416
44. Washington, Lucile		16384
45. Williamson, Sarah L.		16361
46. Wingate, Ella Neal		16318

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5. Total Number registered - 47

2. Place of Voting **Georgetown**

3. County **Georgetown**

4. Your name, address and certificate no. **Mr. Alex Alford**

	Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.
1	Marie Deas		12322
2	William H. Deas		12323
3	Marion Wright		12324
4	Albert Oliver Winlley		12325
5	Andrew Miller		12326
6	Ezekiel Mayd		12327
7	William Gourdine		12328
8	Sarah Prince		12329
9.	Elijah Mayd		12330
10.	Mae Eva Cumbee		12331
11.	Cromon Cumbee		12332
12	Rev. Herbert Brown		12333
13	Annie Belle Robinson		12334
14.	Bertha Davis		12335
15.	Quiflie Weston		12336
16.	Charlie Gore		12337
17.	Frances Rogers		12338
18	Ed Johnson		12339
19.	Silas Cohen		12340
20.	Johnnie Brown		12341

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2. Place of Voting **Georgetown**

3. County**Georgetown**

4. Your name, address and certificate no. **Mr. Alex Alford**

	Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.
21.	Thelma Jackson		11995
22.	Lavinia Washington		12015
23.	Mary Sumter		12134
24.	Eva Greene		11882
25.	Mary Herriet		11883
26.	Katie Picket		11876
27.	Levon Tisdale		12240
28.	Frank Washington		12243
29.	Herman E. GReen		12261
30.	Abraham Sargent		11880
31.	Rev. Alex Porcher		12155
32.	Loise Campbell		12164
33	Linwood Garlord		12166
34.	Sam Gambel		12168
35.	Mary Campbell		11911
36.	George Linen		20103
37.	Mary Dennison		11871
38.	Mary Sands		11879
39.	Mary Robinson		11896
40.	Ella Mae Holmes		11915

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2. Place of Voting **Georgetown**

3. County **Georgetown**

4. Your name, address and certificate no. **Mr. Alex Alford**

Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.
41. Richard Green Jr.		12016
42. Lucin Green		12023
43 Sam Humes		12032
44. Rosa Lee Miller		11870
45. Sadie Depall		12013
46. Bennie Washington		11908
47. Rebecca Smith		11909

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1. Precinct or Ward Number

5. Total number registered - 404

2. Place of Voting Kingstree

3. County Williamsburg

4. Your name, address and certificate no. Mr. Virgil Dimery

Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.
1. Emma Jane Singletary	Rte. 2, Box 178, Salters, S. C.	
2. Eugene Smith	Rte. 1, Box 175, Hemingway, S. C.	
3. Willie J. Fulton	Rte. 3, Box 279, Kingstree, S. C.	
4. Walter Newell	Rte. 2, Box 143, Greeleville, S. C.	
5. Roosevelt Beasley	Rte. 4, Box 87, Andrews, S. C.	
6. Mattie Beasley	Rte. 4, Box 87, Andrews, S. C.	
7. Anna Lourie	Rte. 4, Box 96, Andrews, S. C.	
8. Lillie Scott	Rte. 4, Box 84, Andrews, S. C.	
9. Mable Fulton	Rte. 3, Box 276, Kingstree, S. C.	
10. Mattie McCullogh	Rte. 2, Box 287-A Kingstree, S. C.	
11. Wilhelmenia Harvin	Rte. 4, Box 92, Andrews, S. C.	
12. Willie James Blow	Rte. 2, Box 209, Hemingway, S. C.	
13. Jannie Mae Blow	Rte. 2, Box 209, Hemingway, S. C.	
14. Joseph Cooper	Rte. 1, Box 35-A, Neemith, S. C.	
15. Martha Weaver	Rte. 2, Box 214, Hemingway, S. C.	
16. Seward Weaver	Rte. 2, Box 214, Hemingway, S. C.	
17. Bertha Shaw	P. O. Box 71, Kingstree, S. C.	
18. Robinson Lee Nesmith	Nesmith, South Carolina	
19. Ellen Dickson	Rte. 1, Box 25, Greeleyville, S. C.	
20. Ida Witherspoon	P. O. Box 162, Greeleyville, S. C.	

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1. Precinct or Ward Number

2. Place of Voting Kingstree

3. County Williamsburg

4. Your name, address and certificate no. Mr. Virgil Dimery

Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.
21. Louise Harvin	Rte. 4, Box 92, Andrews, S. C.	
22. Eloise Keels	P. O. Box 133, Greeleyville, S. C.	
23. Sadie Mae Lewis	Rte. 1, Box 173, Hemingway, S. C.	
24. Mildred Goodlet	603 E. Main St. Kingstree, S. C.	
25. Ruth Genevia Burgess	715 Throne Ave. Kingstree, S. C.	
26. Emily Myers	Rte. 4, Box 119, Andrews, S. C.	
27. Nathaniel Myers	Rte. 4, Box 119, Andrews, S. C.	
28. Josie Ann Hanna	Rte. 3, Box 239, Kingstree, S. C.	
29. Lillie Mae Fulton	Rte. 2, Box 276-A, Kingstree, S. C.	
30. Ruth Fulton	Rte. 3, Box 32, Kingstree, S. C.	
31. Pearl McCree	608 Franklin St., Kingstree, S. C.	
32. John Edward Flogiler	Rte. 1, Box 150, Hemingway, S. C.	
33. Willie H. Fulmore	Rte. 1, Box 143-A, Hemingway, S. C.	
34. Ernest Strong	Rte. 3, Box 148, Kingstree, S. C.	
35. John L. Scott	108 E. Main St., Kingstree, S. C.	
36. Bobbie B. Stafford	Rte. 1, Box 126, Kingstree, S. C.	
37. Ema Joe Williams	P. O. Box 301, Kingstree, S. C.	
38. Johnnie Pendergrass	Rte. 3, Box 28, Kingstree, S. C.	
39. Victoria Pendergrass	" " " " " " "	
40. Olive McCree	Rte. 3, Box 234, Kingstree, S. C.	

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3. County Williamsburg

4. Your name, address and certificate no. Mr. Virgil Dimery

Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.
41. James Brown	Rte. 4, Box 95-A, Hemingway, S. C.	
42. Susie Mae Miller	P. O. Box 702, Lanes, S. C.	
43. Helen Smalls	Rte. 4, Box 284, Lake City, S. C.	
44. Katherine Salters	P. O. Box 353, Kingstree, S. C.	
45. Louise Pressley	400 Throne Ave., Kingstree, S. C.	
46. Mary P. Nelson	409 Throne Ave., Kingstree, S. C.	
47. Lizzie Ann Griffin	408 Throne Ave., Kingstree, S. C.	
48. John Pinkey Thomas	Rte. 2, Box 274-A, Kingstree, S. C.	
49. Theo Hampton	419 Madison Ave., Kingstree, S. C.	
50. Gillie McKnight	Rte. 3, Box 189, Kingstree, S. C.	
51. Mamie Jones	P. O. Box 33, Kingstree, S. C.	
52. Alma McFarlin	202 Brooks St., Kingstree, S. C.	
53. William Nelson	409 Throne Ave., Kingstree, S. C.	
54. Maggie McBride	Rte. 1, Box 195, Kingstree, S. C.	
55. Thrones Lee	Rte. 1, Box 91-AA, Kingstree, S. C.	
56. Leroy Flagler	Rte. 4, Box 150, Hemingway, S. C.	
57. Nancy L. Harvin	90 Royal Dry Cleaners, Kingstree, S. C.	
58. Shirley Green	Rte. 3, Box 43, Hemingway, S. C.	
59. Guanto Green	Rte. 1, Box 103-A, Hemingway, S. C.	
60. Ella C. Green	" " " " " " " "	

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61. Rachel G. Pressley	Rte. 2, Box 178, Salters, S. C.	
62. John W. Middleton	237 E. Main St., Kingstree, S. C.	
63. Janie Mae Wilson	P. O. Box 141, Kingstree, S. C.	
64. Louise Graham	Rte. 3, Box 271, Kingstree, S. C.	
65. Georgia Williams	Rte. 3, 37, Kingstree, S. C.	
66. Johnnie Barr	Rte. 3, Box 215, Kingstree, S. C.	
67. Willie James Singletary	P. O. Box 304, Hemingway, S. C.	
68. James Fulton	Rte. 3, Box 225, Kingstree, S. C.	
69. Joseph McGill	Rte. 3, Box 257, Kingstree, S. C.	
70. Everlena Brunson	Rte. 1, Box 173, Hemingway, S. C.	
71. Linnie Margie Cooper	Rte. 3, Box 197, Kingstree, S. C.	
72. Elizabeth McCreo	Rtel, Box 62-A Nesmith, S. C.	
73. Robert Burgess	Rte. 1, Box 63, Hemingway, S. C.	
74. Mildred Edwards	611 Franklin St. , Kingstree, S. C.	
75. Eloise Fulton	Rte. 3, Box 25, Kingstree, S. C.	
76. Luther Fulton	" " " " " " "	
77. Ixriel Cooper	P. O. Box 463, Kingstree, S. C.	
78. Isaih Giles	P. O. Box 164, Kingstree, S. C.	
79. Celio Gamble	Rte. 3, Box 181-A, Kingstree, S. C.	
80. James McCown	P. O. Box 422, Hemingway, S. C.	

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81. Reddick Williams, Jr.	P. O.Box 294, Hemingway, S. C.	
82. Norman Graham	" " " 453, Hemingway, S. C.	
83. Rosa Jacobs	Rte. 2, Box 181, Greeleyville, S. C.	
84. Mary Glover	" " " 180, Greeleyville, S. C.	
85. Lizzie McCrea	419 Madison Ave. , Kingstree, S. C.	
86. Ola Mae Goodwin	Rte. 2, Box 284, Kingstree, S. C.	
87. Henry Pressley	" 1, Box 174, Kingstree, S. c.	
88. Annie B. Cooper	" 4, " 210-C, Lake City, S. C.	
89. Mary Alice Lewis	" 3, " 41, Hemingway, S. C.	
90. Leon Lewis	" " " ", " " "	
91. Syvester Flagler	" 1, " 23, Kingstree, S. C.	
92. Catherine Matthew	" " " 56, Salters, S. C.	
93. Ellen Murry	" " " 61-A, Lake City, S. C.	
94. Jake Brown	P. O. Box 131, Greeleville, S. C.	
95. Earnest Gray	Rte. 1, Box 104, Lanes, S. C.	
96. Verlene Anderson	" " " 170, Greeleyville, S. C.	
97. Lenora Thomas	" " " 165, Greeleyville, S. C.	
98. Rosa Lee Moore	" " " 169, Greeleyville, S. C.	
99. Helen Singletary	" " " 170, Greeleyville, S. C.	
100. James Fulton, Jr.	" 3, " 18, Kingstree, S. C.	

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101. Sarah Doveskins	409 Throne Ave, , Kingstree, S. C.	
102. Eston James	Rte. 1, Box 72-A, Nesmith, S. C.	
103. David McGill	" 3, " 261, Kingstree, S. C.	
104. Genevia Blondshaw	P. O. Box 52, Greeleyville, S. C.	
105. Mary Alice Brown	603 Thomlinson St., Kingstree, S. C.	
106. Author Tisdale	Rte. 2, Box 28-A, Kingstree, S. C.	
107. Ruthen Gamble	" 3, " 32-B, " " "	
108. Mary Montgomery	215 Church St., Kingstree, S. C.	
109. Burdie Mae Epps	Elenor Height -Apt. 10, Kingstree, S. C.	
110. Susan Pressely	Rte. 3, Box 56-A, Kingstree, S. C.	
111. Rosa Lee Fulton	" 2, " 274-A, " " "	
112. Augusto Lines	P. O. Box 335, Kingstree, S. C.	
113. Cleo Burgess	715 Throne Ave., " " "	
114. Elizabeth Snowden	Rte. 4, Box 129, Lake City, S. C.	
115. Ethel McCullough	" 2, " 261, Kingstree, S. C.	
116. Mary T. Blackwell	" 1, " 219, Salters, S. C.	
117. Margaret Cooper	P. O. Box 401, Kingstree, S. C.	
118. Anna Cooper	" " " " " " "	
119. Carrie Gordener	701 Anderson St. , Kingstree, S. C.	
120. James Dukes	P. O. Box 415, Kingstree, S. C.	

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121. Maggie Lee Sabb	803 Lexington, Ave. Kingstree, S. C.	
122. Delbert Nesmith	Rte. 1, Box 78-A, Nesmith, S. C.	
123. James Griffin	" 2, " 172, Kingstree, S. C.	
124. Ethelrine McCullough	" " " 261-A, " " "	
125. Pearl Ramsey	408 Throne Ave., " " "	
126. Walter Barnes	Rte. 2, Box 99, Kingstree, S. C.	
127. Ben Brockington	" 3, " 29-B, " " "	
128. Micheal Beaufort	" 1, " 39, Greeleyville, S. C.	
129. James W. Barr	" " " 35½, Nesmith, S. C.	
130. Catherine Nesmith	302 Short St., Kingstree, S. C.	
131. J. Wells	Rte. 2, Box 24, Greeleyville, S. C.	
132. Elizabeth Alford	" " " 266, Kingstree, S. C.	
133. Carrie Mae Wingate	" " " " " " "	
134. Elmer McClary	" 1, " 55, " " "	
135. James Fulton	" 2, " 276, " " "	
136. Ruthia Mae Fulton	" 3, " 277, " " "	
137. Warren Chatman	" 2, " 259, " " "	
138. Maggie McCullough	" 1, " 145-B " " "	
139. Martha Gray	" 3, " 271, " " "	
140. Lula Mae Bradley	" " " 288, " " "	

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141. Laura Mullins	P. O. Box 433, Kingstree, S. C.	
142. Essie Wilson	Rte. 1, Box 48-D, Salters, S. C.	
143. Selom James	" 2, " 242, Kingstree, S. C.	
144. Pearlie Mae McEleveen	" 1, " 191, Salters, S. C.	
145. Demon Gradshaw	" " " 125, Lanes, S. C.	
146. Ethel Lucile Cooper	" 3 " 196, Kingstree, S. C.	
147. Johnnie Holmes	P. O. Box 291, Kingstree, S. C.	
148. Walter Graham	Rte. 2, Box 191-B, " " "	
149. Mamia Frieson	" " " 241-A, " " "	
150. Florine Graham	" " " 191-B, " " "	
151. Violet Cooper	" 3, " 196, " " "	
152. Iller Mae Myers	" 1, " 44, Andrews, S. C.	
153. Leon Myers	" " " " " " "	
154. Louise Brown	P. O. Box 222, Lanes, S. C.	
155. Neomi Brown	Rte. 1, Box 105-B, Hemingway, S. C.	
156. James S. Brown	" " " " " " "	
157. Judia R. Flagler	Rte. 1, Box 18, Kingstree, S. C.	
158. Willie L. Johnson	412 Madison Ave., Kingstree, S. C.	
159. H. D. Brown	Rte. 2, Box 220, Salters, S. C.	
160. Lillie Brown	" " " " " " "	

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161. Sallie Wilson	Rte. 1, Box 61, Lanes, S. C.	
162. Wilson Robinson	" 2, " 149-A, Kingstree, S. C.	
163. Johnnie McBride	" 1, " 48-CC, Salters, S. C.	
164. Robert L. McCullough	" 2, " 287-A, Kingstree, S. C.	
165. Amanda Woody	" 1, " 51-C, Andrews, S. C.	
166. Mary White	" " " 277, " " "	
167. Flossie Brockington	P. O. Box 402, Kingstree, S. C.	
168. Lulond Brockington	" " " " " " "	
169. William L. Cooper	Rte. 3, Box 189, Kingstree, S. C.	
170. Willie Mae Davis	" 1, " 129-B, Greeleyville, S. C.	
171. Alice Montgomery	" 2, " 66-B, " " "	
172. Frank Montgomery	" " " " " " " "	
173. Lizzie Chandler	" " " 68, " " "	
174. John B. Joe	" 1, " 6, " " "	
175. William D. Barr	" 4, " 143-A, Lake City, S. C.	
176. Lela Mae Brown	" 2, " 69-A, Greeleyville, S. C.	
177. Lila Ellise	P. O. Box 493, Kingstree, S. C.	
178. Rosetha Wilson	Rte. 1, Box 50-A, Salters, S. C.	
179. Betty Lou Austin	" " " 46, Kingstree, S. C.	
180. Doris Epps	" 2, " 276, " " "	

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181. Ruth W. Pressley	Rte. 3, Box 181, Kingstree, S. C.	
182. Sarah D. Scott	200 W. Short St., " " "	
183. Walter Montgomery	Rte. 2, Box 66, Greeleyville, S. C.	
184. James Sugh McKnight	" " " 86, " " "	
185. George L. Flagler	P. O. Box 421, Hemingway, S. C.	
186. James McBride	Rte. 2, Box 109½, Salters, S. C.	
187. Lonnie Chandler	" 3, " 73, Kingstree, S. C.	
188. Orabell Frazier	P. O. Box 921, Hemingway, S. C.	
189. Samuel McGill	" " " 442, Kingstree, S. C.	
190. Sorephrine McCrea	Rte. 3, Box 256, " " "	
191. Annie Mae Bradley	" " " 258 " " "	
192. Albertha Scott	" 2 " 190-A " " "	
193. Amelia Boyd	" 3 " 276, " " "	
194. Lourie McCrea	" " " 233, " " "	
195. Oreida Rich	" 1, " 2, Nesmith, S. C.	
196. Rosa Rich	" " " " " " "	
197. Alma Gordner	703 Throne Ave., Kingstree, S. C.	
198. Pearl Epps	701 " " " " "	
199. Samuel J. Brown	Rte. 4 Box 95, Hemingway, S, C.	
200. Neomi Scott	" 2, " 7, Salters, S. C.	

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201. P. D. Cooper	Rte. 3, Box 196, Kingstree, S. C.	
202. Jannie Mae Brown	" 4, " 95, Hemingway, S. C.	
203. Eugene McCuthen	" 1, " 31-B Nesmith, S. C.	
204. Gadson Mouzon	" 2, " 286-A, Kingstree, S. C.	
205. Robert Tisdale	" ", " 31, " " "	
206. Ruth N. McCleasit	" 1, " 196, " " "	
207. Virginia Segers	" " " " " " "	
208. Roland Walter	" 2, " 55, Salters, S. C.	
209. Fannie Walter	" " " " " " "	
210. Willie D. Wilson	Rte. 3, Box 201-A, Kingstree, S. C.	
211. Isaih McKnight	" " " 192, " " "	
212. Phillip Bradley	" " " 258, " " "	
213. Moses Snowden	" 2, " 168, " " "	
214. Laura Snowden	" " " " " " "	
215. Wash Wilson	" 1, " 16, Nesmith, S. C.	
216. Carrie June	" 2, " 109, Greeleyville, S. C.	
217. Mary Fulton	General Delivery, Kingstree, S. C.	
218. Fred McClary	Rte. 2, Box 174, Salters, S. C.	
219. Mattie Brown	" 3, " 189-B, Kingstree, S. C.	
220. Joseph Brown	" " " " " " "	

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221. Betty White	713 Woods St., Kingstree, S. C.	
222. Mattie McCuthen	216 Brooks St., " " "	
223. Cornelious Keels	Rte. 1, Box 226, Greeleyville, S. C.	
224. Hattie Fulton	" " " " " " "	
225. Shalina Ned	" " " 110, " " "	
226. Flexi Chandler	P. O. Box 451, Kingstree, S. C.	
227. Willie J. Pressely	Rte. 3, Box 451, " " "	
228. Benjamin M. Gourden	332 Madison Ave., Kingstree, S. C.	
229. Ethel Cooper	Rte. 3, Box 56-A, " " "	
230. Anna Ned	" 1, " 113, Greeleyville, S. C.	
231. Henretta Gamble	" 3, " 241, Kingstree, S. C.	
232. Albertha Woods	" 2, " 19-A, Greeleyville, S. C.	
233. Leroy Wilson	" 3, " 210-A, Kingstree, S. C.	
234. Retha McFadden	" 2, " 189-B, " " "	
235. Everlean Brown	" " " " " " " "	
236. Jeff Bradley	P. O. Box 334, Kingstree, S. C.	
237. Martha Julious	Rte. 4, Box 133, Lake City, S. C.	
238. Eddie Johnson	807 Woods St., Kingstree, S. C.	
239. Frances Conyers	Rte. 2, Box 175, Salters, S. C.	
240. Jannie B. Milton	321 Short St., Kingstree, S. C.	

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241. Dorothy Milton	321 Short St., Kingstree, S. C.	
242. Margaret Wallace	286 Throne Ave., " " "	
243. Gerald E. Conyers	Rte. 2, Box 175, Salters, S. C.	
244. Mable Conyers	" " " 240, Kingstree, S. C.	
245. Elizah Fulton	P. O. Box 431, " " "	
246. Flora P. Cooper	Rte. 3, Box 189, " " "	
247. Corine McCreo	" 2, " 216, " " "	
248. James Dixon	" 1, " 120, Andrews, S. C.	
249. H. Snow	Rte. " " 305-C, " " "	
250. Wilson H. Morris	" " " 56-A, Nesmith, S. C.	
251. Charles Lewis	" " " 325, Andrews, S. C.	
252. George McCuthen	" " " 80, Nesmith, S. C.	
253. Ethelyn Woods	" 2, " 31, Greeleyville, S. C.	
254. William C. McKnight	" 4, " 140, Lake City, S. C.	
255. Newell Mouded	" 2, " 286-A, Kingstree, S. C.	
256. Rosa Hanna	" 4, " 35, Johnsonville, S. C.	
257. Missiour L. Cooper	" 2, " 32-A, " " "	
258. Lila Mae Mack	" 4, " 11, Hemingway, S. C.	
259. Nimmy Hanna	" 2, " 35, Johnsonville, S. C.	
260. Everleon Dix	" 4, " 133, Lake City, S. C.	

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Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.
261. Mattie B. Nesmith	Rte. 4, Box 139, Lake City, S. C.	
262. Bertha Harvin	705 Woods St., Kingstree, S. C.	
263. Grace Wallace	512 Lexington Ave., " " "	
264. Ethel Wallace	702 Woods St., " " "	
265. Sephine Wallace	Rte. 4, Box 166, Hemingway, S. C.	
266. Daniel Hammond	" " " 216, Lake City, S. C.	
267. Nettie W. Fulton	" 3, " 18-A, " " " "	
268. Lillie Mae McKnight	P. O. Box 485, Kingstree, S. C.	
269. Willie Davis McKnight	" " " " " " "	
270. Thomas Wilson	Rte. 1, Box 23, Nesmith, S, C.	
271. Idell Dayes	" 2, " 170-A, Salters, S. C.	
272. Mary Singletary	" 4, " 127, Lake City, S. C.	
273. Joe Louis Harris	" 2, " 173, Salters, S. C.	
274. Sarah Murry	" " " 177-AA, Greeleyville, S. C.	
275. Charlie Greene	" " " 194, " " "	
276. Susie Mae Green	" 1, " 47-B, Salters, S. C.	
277. Nettie D. Fulton	" 3, " 32, Kingstree, S. C.	
278. Vivian Paul	" 2, " 286, " " "	
279. Lucile Green	" " " 52, Salters, S. C.	
280. Betty E. Bradley	130 Longe St., Kingstree, S. C.	

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281. Leon McKnight	Rte. 3, Box 127-A, Andrews, S. C.	
282. Ella Fulton	" 2, " 157, Salters, S. C.	
283. Daisy P. Wilson	" 1, " 19, " " "	
284. Rutha Mae Scott	" " " 54, Lane, S. C.	
285. Essie Gray	" 3, " 50-A, Kingstree, S. C.	
286. Mary Hellen Davis	" " " 74-A, Andrews, S. C.	
287. Eugene Davis	" " " 207-A, " " "	
288. Ollie Mae Dix	" 4, " 139, Lake City, S. C.	
289. Josephine Montgomery	" " " 139, " " " "	
290. Georgianna Hughmes	" 2, " 254, Kingstree, S. C.	
291. Harrison McKnight, Jr.	" 1, " 145, Kingstree, S. C.	
292. Minnie Morris	" 3, " 230, " " "	
293. Alford Cyrus	" " " 32, " " "	
294. Elizabeth Wall	" " " 68, " " "	
295. Frances M. Cooper	" 1, " 128, " " "	
296. Willie B. Chandler	" 1, " 99-B, Nesmith, S. C.	
297. Moses Gibson	" " " 50-A, Lanes, S. C.	
298. Evelenor Brockington	" " " 85, Lanes, S. C.	
300. Essie R. Cooper	" 4 " 138-C, Lake City, S. C.	
301. Annie Mae Taylor	" 1, " 22, Hemingway, S. C.	

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302. Corine Taylor	Rte, 1 Box 22, Hemingway, S. C.	
303. Curl Lee Nelson	" 2, " 104, Greeleyville, S. C.	
304. Lula T. Nelson	" " " " " " #	
305. Josephine McCown	" 1, " 151, Hemingway, S. C.	
306. Alice McCown	" " " " " " "	
307. Viola Beasley	" 4, " 87, Andrews, S. C.	
308. Lillie Beasley	" " " " " " "	
309. Lillier Davis	" 1, " 164, Hemingway, s. C.	
310. Willie Davis	" " " " " " "	
311. Flora A/ Cooper	" 3, " 168, Kingstree, S. C.	
312. Lillie Mae Rossley	" 2, " 191-A, " " "	
313. Elizabeth Davis	200 Brooks St., Kingstree, S. C.	
314. Dorothy Hammond	Rte. 4, Box 216-A, Lake City, S.C.	
315. Rhoda Gibson	" 1, " 120, Lanes, S.C.	
316. Louise B. Williams	" 4, " 68, Andrews, S. C.	

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316. Elease Fulmore	Rte. 4, Box 80-A. Andrews, S. C.	
317. Mary F. Miller	P.O. Box 485, Kingstree, S. C.	
318. Albertha McFadden	Rte. 1, Box 220, Salters, S. C.	
319. Doloris McFadden	" " " " " " "	
320. Benjamin L. Brown	" " " 106, Hemingway, S. C.	
321. Jannie Pope	311 Hampton Ave., Kingstree, S. C.	
322. Emma Jean Purvis	Rte. 2, Box 142, Salters, S. C.	
323. Annie Purvis	" " " " " " "	
324. Martha R. Miller	" ", " 108, Salters, S. C.	
325. Isaac Gibson	Rte. 1, Box 115, Andrews, S. C.	
326. Sarah Guess	" " " 219, Salters, S. C.	
327. Oneatha Crosley	Rte. 1, Box 55, " " "	
328. Solomon Pressley	" " " 305, Andrews, S. C.	
329. Elease Davis	" " " " " " "	
330. Dinnie Ruth Wallace	" 3. Box 18, Kingstree, S. C.	
331. Iso Belle Eadie	" 1, Box 4, " " "	
332. Bruce Cole	" 3, " 68, " " "	
333. Margaret Cooper	" " " " " " "	
334. Ruth Fulton	Rte. 2, Box 27-AA, Kingstree, S. C.	
335. Sarah Fulmore	Rte. 4, Box 200, Lake City, S. C.	

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336.	Mary Ethel Cole	Rte. 2, Box 138, Salters, S. C.	
337.	Anna Nesmith	310 S. Jackson St., Kingstree, S. C.	
338.	Christopher Dozier	Rte. 2, Box 93, Salters, S. C.	
339.	Hayward H. McClam, Jr.	315 N. Jackson St., Kingstree, S. C.	
340.	Robert Cooper	Rte. 3, Box 52, Kingstree, S. C.	
341.	Lillie Mae Cooper	" " " " " " "	
342.	Sam Giles	" 1, Box 424, Lanes, S. C.	
343.	Tab Green	Rte. 4, Box 85, A ndrews, S. C.	
344.	Lucille Homes	P.O.Box 291, Kingstree, S. C.	
345.	Daisy Myers	Rte. 1, Box 33, Nesmith, S. C.	
346.	Bessie Dozier	Rte. 2, Box 93, Salters, S. C.	
347.	Deloris Dozier	" " " " " " "	
348.	Ida Mae lewis	Rte. 1, Box 120, Andrews, S. C.	
349.	Rebecca Pressley	" " " 308, " " "	
350.	Thomas Samuel	" " " 305, " " "	
351.	Neomi Dozier	" 2, " 95, Salters, S. C.	
352.	Laura McKnight	" 3, " 189-D, Kingstree, S. C.	
353.	Walter Dukes	Rte 2, Box 241-A, " " "	
354.	Virginia Washington	" 3, " 13-C , " " "	
355.	Elizabeth Pendergrass	" " " 28, Kingstree, S. C.	

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356. James B. Pendergrass	Rte. 3, Box 28, Kingstree, S. C.	
357. Ezekiel Cooper	" " " 170-C, Kingstree, S. C.	
358. Bertha Gibson	" 1, " 111, Andrews, S. C.	
359. Relaigh Wilson	" 2, " 47, Salters, S. C.	
360. James Green	" 1, " 53, " " "	
361. Amos McKnight	" 4, " 134, Lake City, S. C.	
362. Daisy R. Nesmith	" 1, " 5-A, Nesmith, S. C.	
363. Peter James Nesmith	" " " " " " "	
364. Anna B. Sihra	" 2, " 142, Salters, S. C.	
365. Annie McKnight	" 4, " 123, Lake City, S. C.	
366. Daisy Bettard	" 2, " 274-A, Kingstree, S. C.	
367. Jasper Fulton	" 3, " 18-A, " " "	
368. Lurlean Wallace	" " " 18, " " "	
369. Louise McCottry	509 Lexington Ave., Kingstree, S. C.	
370. Daniel Fulton	P.O. Box 431, Kingstree, S. C.	
371. Lottie McCrea	Rte. 3, Box 39-A, Kingstree, S. C.	
372. Mable Shaw	P.O. Box 503, " " "	
373. Eloise Green	Rte. 1, Box 219-A, " " "	
374. Martha McCrea	" " " 99, Nesmith, S. C.	
375. Lela Bell Boyd	" " " 29, Kingstree, S. C.	

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OUR GOAL 100,000 REGISTERED VOTERS

1. Precinct or Ward Number

2. Place of Voting Kingstree

3. County Williamsburg

4. Your name, address and certificate no. Mr. Virgil Dimery

Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.
376. Nathaniel Boyd	Rte. 1, Box 29, Kingsstree, S. C.	
377. Edward Wallace	" 3, " 18, "	" "
378. Ivory Reynolds	212 Church St., "	" "
379. Mot McFadden	Rte. 2, Box 189-B, "	" "
380. James B. Cooper	" 3, " 179, "	" "
381. Mary E. George	" 3, " 99, Andrews, S. C.	
382. Blumer Mae Pendergrass	" 2 " 92, Kingstree, S. C.	
383. Thero Dnow	" 1 " 96-B, Nesmith, S. C.	
384. Norman Snow	" " " " "	" "
385. Albertha Brown	209 Livingston Ave., Kingstree, S. C.	
386. Charlie Harkeenua	319 Short St., Kingstree, S. C.	
387. Christine McCrea	Rte. 2, Box 66, Greeleyville, S. C.	
388. Sarah Smith	" " " 140, Salters, S. C.	
389. Lula Pressley	" 1, Box 16, Nesmith, S. C.	
390. William Fulton	Rte 3, Box 18, Kingstree, S. C.	
391. Lutro Barr	" 1, Box 21-B, Nesmith, S. C.	
392. Minnie Pallard	P. O. Box 28, Nesmith, S. C.	
393. Mable Rich	Rte. 1, Box 2-C, Nesmith, S. C.	
394. George A. Millin	P. O. Box 133, Hemingway, S. C.	
395. Charles Cooper	Rte. 1, Box 52, "	" "

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3. County Williamsburg

4. Your name, address and certificate no. Mr. Virgil Dimery

Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.
396. Mary L. Giles	Rte. 1, Box 82, Lane, S. C.	
397. Lula Washington	" " " 1, " " "	
398. William C. Shaw	" 2, " 18, Greeleyville, S. C.	
399. Irene Murry	307 Blakley St., Kingstree, S. C.	
400. Harrie Franklin	Rte. 1, Box 184, Salters, S. C.	
401. Annie J. Brown	" 2, " 84, " " "	
402. James Conyers	" 3, " 239, Kingstree, S. C.	
403. Rachel Miller	P. O. Box 241, Lane, S. C	
404. Wilheminia Fleming	Rte. 1, Box 22-B, Hemingway, S. C.	

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OUR GOAL 100,000 REGISTERED VOTERS

1. Precinct or Ward Number 1
2. Place of Voting Florence
3. County Florence
4. Your name, address and certificate no. Mr. Jonas Deas

5. Total number listed in this report - 138
6. Actual number registered in August - 317

	Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.	
1	Frierson, Theodure	701 E. Cheves St.	28094	Florence
2	Frierson, Rosena	701 E. Cheves St.	28023	Florence
3	Frierson, Dora M.	807 Layton St.	28020	Florence
4	Gurly, Shirley	700 N. Brunson St.	27425	Florence
5	Godbolt, Ruby	1215 Oakland	27492	Florence
6	Green, Mary Elizabeth	104 N. Malboro St.	27443	Florence
7	Holmes, David	617 N. Wilson St.	27447	Florence
8	Howard, James	801 N. Bradford	28054	Florence
9	Ingram, Oscar	401 Hampton	28538	Florence
10	Johnson, Willie	900 Pawley St	27798	Florence
11	Jordan, Lucille	617 N. Wilson St.	27797	Florence
12	Jacobs, Virginia	306 E. Malboro St.	27795	Florence
13	James, May Ester	455 N. Dargan St.	27368	Florence
14	Johnson, Doris L.	802 Layton St.	27421	Florence
15	Johnson, Emma	552 Oliva St.	27422	Florence
16	Johnson, Octavia B.	200 E. Roughfork St.	27426	Florence
17	Law, Lena Mae	1509 Rockyway Lane	27846	Florence
18	Moses, Alma S.	1406 Holmes	27833	Florence
19	Simmons, Gardenia	608 Carver St.	28619	Florence
20	Harrison, Geneva	700 Sanborn St.	27964	Florence
21	Buckner, Barbara Jean	1218 Dixie St.	28138	Florence
22	Brown, Ruby Lee	1110 W. Sumter St.	28510	Florence
23	Boatwright, Lillie Mae	715 Dixie	28902	Florence

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3. County Florence

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	Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.	
24	Matthews, Lois K.	106 E. Roughfork St.	27970	Florence
25	Milo, Earline	1150 1/2 E. Day St.	28128	Florence
26	Muldrow, Ella M.	303 N. Mullins St.	28502	Florence
27	McCall, Isaih	707 Pawley St.	28552	Florence
28	McCall, Olivia	707 Pawley St.	28550	Florence
29	Nettles, Bobbie Jean	802 Royal	27809	Florence
30	Pea, Gwendolyn	810 Rose	27456	Florence
31	Robinson, Mahalea	457 N. Dargan	27796	Florence
32	Reed, Dorothy Mae	309 Marion St.	27808	Florence
33	John Sellers A.	1000 Fortune	27848	Florence
34	Sellers, Corina B.	1000 Fortune	27849	Florence
35	Smith, Shirley	1355 E. Evans	27460	Florence
36	Small, Viola	108 Ballard	28927	Florence
37	Smith, David	721 Bradford	28940	Florence
38	Williams, Ruth	411 Hampton	27227	Florence
39	Williams, Bertha	713 Maxwell	27007	Florence
40	Williams, Emma	713 Maxwell	27027	Florence
41	Waitress, Eron M.	306 E. Malborc	27933	Florence
42	Wilson, Ray	812 Ellis	27395	Florence
43	White, Fauces	107 Fortune St.	27413	Florence
44	Williams, Thelma E.	1005Malloy	28028	Florence

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2. Place of Voting Florence

3. County Florence

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	Name	Address	Certificate no.	Precinct
45.	Graham, Amelia	305 Noonburg Ave.	27971	Lake City. S. C. 2
46.	Hawkins, Elist	P. O. Box 212	27967	" " 2
47.	Singletary, Hattie	Rt. 3	27775	" " 2
48.	Belin, Clarence	Rt. 1 Johnsonville	27851	Kingsbury
49	Belin, Georgia Mae	Rt. 1 "	27852	"
50	Belin, Bertha	" " "	27858	"
51	Belin, Alizer Jane	Rt. 2 Box 64, Johnsonville	28533	"
52	Peterson, Harry	Rt. 1 "	27957	"
53	Brunson, Retha	715 Pawley St.	27818	Florence
54	Brockington, Thelma	614 Jefferson	27527	Florence
55	Brown, Jerome	610 Rose Ave.	27442	Florence
56	Brown, Fannie	707 N. Dargan	28012	Florence
57	Black, Daisy	1106 E. Day	28121	Florence

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1. Precinct or Ward Number 2

2. Place of Voting Florence

3. County Florence

4. Your name, address and certificate no. Mr. Jonas Deas

	Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.	
58.	David, Vivian	Rt.1 Johnsonville	27381	Stone
59.	Davis, Julia D.	Rt.1 Johnsonville	27382	Stone
60.	Davis, Sebon	Rt.1 Johnsonville	27383	Stone
61.	Robinson, Louise	Rt. 2 Scranton	27403	Scranton
62.	Thomas, Queen Ester	P.O. Box 122 Scranton	28566	Scranton
63.	Bostick, Lassie	Rt. 1 Pamplico	27501	Pamplico
64.	Cockfield, Lacy	Box 322 Pamplico	28479	Pamplico
65.	Davis, Elma Lee	Rt. 1 Box 184-A	28878	Pamplico
66.	Gainey, Sarah P.	Rt. 1 Pamplico	28612	Pamplico
67.	Hugie, John Allen	Box 262 Pamplico	27540	Pamplico
68.	Hymon, Madlean	Rt. 1 Pamplico	28564	Pamplico
69.	Lewis, Ola B.	Box 374 Pamplico	27802	Pamplico
70.	McWhite, Radie Mae	Box 355 Pamplico	28877	Pamplico
71.	Smith, Ethel B.	Oak Street, Pamplico	28584	Pamplico
72.	Adams, Willie Mae	110 John Street	27486	Florence
73.	Barr, Samuel Lee	Rt. 4 Florence	27838	Florence
74.	Backus, Bertha Mae	Rt 4 Florence	28104	Florence
75.	Davis, Nathaniel	1415 E. Palmetto St.	28024	Florence
76.	Davis, Beatrice D.	Rt. 2 Florence	28036	Florence
77.	Davis, Gertrude M.	1200 Cox	28491	Florence

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1. Precinct or Ward Number 2

2. Place of Voting Florence

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	Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.	
78.	Eaddy, Luke	Rt. 4 Florence	27812	Florence
79.	Fulton, Virginia	105 E. Miller St.	28525	Florence
80.	Martin, Irene D.	Rt. 4 Florence	28505	Florence
81.	McGill, Estella	1204 Kershaw St.	28091	Florence
82.	McDaniel, Rosa E.	265 1st Ave	28882	Florence
83.	Pittman, Lillie Mae	Rt. 4 Florence	28879	Florence
84.	Robinson, Walter	614 Ballard St.	27423	Florence
85	Smith, Delores	207 S. Jeffords St.	27430	Florence
86	Smith, Lloyd L.	509 S. Charles St.	28033	Florence
87	Smith, Glenn E.	253 Jeffords St.	28601	Florence
88	Scott, Annie Lourice	602 E. Cheves St.	28912	Florence
89	Thomas, Clara M.	206 S. Jeffords St.	27397	Florence
90	Williams, Tina	1102 Cox St.	27776	Florence
91	Washington, Evelyn	1004 Kershaw St.	27516	Florence
92	Williams, Ola Mae	Rt. 4 Florence	27968	Florence
93	Brewer, Sarah D.	1200 Cox St.	28487	Florence
94	Backus, Eloise	Rt. 4 Florence	28504	Florence
95	Abraham, Ernest	207 N. DeJohn St.	27455	Florence
96	Deas, Annie Mae	1114 E. Evans St.	28094	Florence
97	Emmanuel, Joe	550 Olive St.	27433	Florence

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1. Precinct or Ward Number 3

2. Place of Voting Florence

3. County Florence

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	Name of person	Address	Certificate no.	Precinct
98.	Rush, Florence	Rt. 1 Timmonsville	27812	Timmonsville
99.	Williams, George	Rt. 1 Effingham	28081	Effingham
100.	Brown, Mable L.	Rt. 3, Florence	28114	Evergreen
101	Jones, Mammie	Rt. 1 Johnsonville	27401	Johnsonville
102	Timmons, Georgia	Rt. 1 Box 85, Johnsonville	28022	"
103	Eaddy, Virginia	Rt. 3 Timmomsville	28926	
104	Cooper, Acie	Rt 3 Timmonsville	28073	Timmonsville
105	McCullough, Valiencia	400 Tanyard	27427	Timmonsville
106	Rush, Raleigh	Rt. 1 Effingham	28488	Effingham
107	Rush, Lila M.	Rt. 1 Effingham		Tans Bay
108	Rush, Marion	" " "	28871	" "
109	Rush, Florence	" " "	28890	" "
110	Smith, Fred	" " "	28079	" "
111	Thompson, Ophelia	" " "	28083	" "
112	Davis, Eula Mae M.	" " Johnsonville	27380	Stone
113	John D. Fleming	P. O. Box 312	27856	Lake City, S. C.
114	Lila McCutcheon	Moore St.	27676	" "
115	Jean McKnight	S. Blvd.	28627	" " 2
116	Claretta Nesbitt	262 N. Thomas	28127	" " 2
117	Eddie McNkight	Highway 52 Lake City	28909	" " 2
118	Cameror Arcelia	Rt 3 Lake City	27374	" " 2

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4. Your name, address and certificate no. Mr. Jonas Deas

	Name of persons	Address	Certificate no.	Precint
119	Woods, Dessie Mae	1051 E. Day St.	28111	Florence
120	Abraham, Ameree	550 N. Lawson	28046	Florence
121	Alexander, Nathaniel	1009 Ingram	28543	Florence
122	Campbell, Ruth	811 Sanborn	27976	Florence
123	Crawford, Pearl	604 Sanborn	28038	Florence
124	Cade, Ida Beal	407 N. Sumter	28053	Florence
125	Echols, Claudia	707 Chase	28495	Florence
126	Edwards, Evelyn	1015 W. Marion	28554	Florence
127	Fly, Sadie T.	925 W. Sumter	28856	Florence
128	Gibbs, Mae	507-B Carver	28917	Florence
129	Jackson, George	334 N. McQueen	28043	Florence
130	Johnson, Julia	1016 Ingram	28620	Florence
131	Johnson, Frances Mae	1016 Ingram	28897	Florence
132	Richardson, John	603 Sanborn	28086	Florence
133	Robinson, Joe	600 W. Marion	28899	Florence
134	Robinson, Rosa B.	W. Sumter St. Ext.	27471	Florence
135	Bass, Billie	Rt. 1 Effingham	28501	Effingham,S.C.
136	Ellerbe, Sarah B.	Rt.2 Effingham	27990	Effingham
137	Timmons, Jake	Rt. 2 "	28027	Effingham
138	Muldrow, Rufus	Rt. 1 "	27823	"

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2. Place of Voting Kingstree

3. County Williamsburg

4. Your name,adress and certificate number

Name of persons	adress	Certificate no.
James L. McCray	Box 62, Trio	
Ella Mae Nesmith	Box 24, Nesmith	
V. Nesmith	Box 24, Nesmith	
Elizabeth Pressley	Box 17, Nesmith	
Leroy Barcus	Box 383, Hemingway	
Malicia Verner, Jr.	Rte. 1, Hemingway	
Robert Barcus	Rte. 2, Box 6, Hemingway	
Lucile P. Lamothe	Rte. 3, Box 263, Kingstree	
Kinley McGill	Rte. 2, Box 236-B, Kingstree	
Robert Barcus, Jr.	Rte. 2, Hemingway	
Carrie R. Redden	Rte. 2, Box 33, Kingstree	
Beatrice Burgess	Rte. 2, Box 32, Kingstree	
Martha L. Scott	Box 57, Trio	
Mose G. Pegues	Rte. 1, Box 99-B, Lanes	
Charles Green	Rte. 1, Box 47-B, Salters	
Auty Bynum	Rte. 1, Box 106, Lanes	
Fred Mitchum	Rte 1, Box 150, Kingstree	
Bertha Fulton	Rtel, Box 228, Kingstree	
Maggie Brockington	511 Live Oak, Kinstree	
Jackie Fulton	Rte 3, Box 235, Kingstree	
Harry Green	Rte. 3, Box 74, Kingstree	
Queen E. Cooper	Rte. 1, Box 35-A, Nesmith	
Roger Heyward	Rte 1, Box 54-A, Nesmith	
John B. Singletary	Rte. 4, Box 61, Hemingway	

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Name of persons	adress	Certificate no.
Joe Dollard	Rte. 1, Box 125, Hemingway	
Esther Beaufort	Rte. 2, Box 169, Salters	
Betty Bradley	Rte. 2, Box 169, Salters	
Mellie G. Epps	Rte. 2, Box 240, Kingstree	
Edna Mae Pegues	Rte. 1, Box 72-A, Lanes	
Inez McDowell	Rte. 1, Box 154, Lanes	
Hattie L. Pegues	Rte. 1, Box 93, Lanes	
Rev. William Scott	Rte. 1, Box 90, Hemingway	
Olese Scott	Rte. 1, Box 90, Hemingway	
Mary C. Tisdale	Rte. 2, Box 241, Kingstree	
Louise Tisdale	Rte. 1, Box 155-A, Kingstree	
Elijah Scott	Rte. 1, Box 161-A, Kingstree	
Hogan W. Wilson	Rte. 1, Box 15-B, Nesmith	
Wilson Dollard	Rte. 1, Box 125, Hemingway	
Geneva Scott	Rte 2, Box 52, Hemingway	
Julia Carr	Rte. 2, Box 24-A, Salters	
Barbara Brown	Rte. 2, Box 23, Salters	
Willie Keels	Rte. 1, Box 157, Greeleyville	
Trudy Mae Green	Rte. 1, Box 66, Andrews	
Rose Lee Bradshal	Rte. 1, Box 77-D, Andrews	
Jeff Johnson	Rte. 4, Box 148-B, Lake City	
Sames James Cooper	Rte. 4, Box 142, Lake City	
Pedro Singletary	Rtel 4, Box 127, Lake City	
Nancey Hanna	Rte. 1, Box 65-A, Kingstree	

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Name of persons	adress	Certificate no.
Alberta Morris	Rte. 1, Box 56-A, Kingstree	
Annie Burrows	Rte. 1, Box 68-A, Kingstree	
Anna Bell McClary	P. O. Box 191, Kingstree	
Mazie Burrows	Rte. 1, Box 90, Lanes	
Raymond Burrows	Rte. 1, Box 90, Lanes	
Geneva Maxwell	Rte 1, Box 9, Lanes	
Inez Gamble	216 Jackson St., Kingstree	
Eliza Jane McGill	Rte. 3, Box 112-A, Andrews	
Willie Bradley	Rte. 2, Box 194, Salters	
Dorothy Ferrell	Rte. 1, Box 185, Salters	
Frank Williams	C/O Hasel Brothers, Hemingway	
Earley Pressley	Rte. 2, Box 281, Kingstree	
Corrine Weaver	Rte. 2, Box 118, Hemingway	
Henry Weaver	Rte. 2, Hemingway	
Annie Williams	Rte. 1, Box 171-A, Hemingway	
Earlene Weaver	Rte. 2, Box 118, Hemingway	
David Williams	Rte. 1, Box 165, Johnsonville	
Pearlie Chandler	Rte. 3, Box 159, Andrews	
Jimmy Rogers	Rte. 4, Box 33, Hemingway	
Stella McDonald	Rte 2, Box 14-S, Kingstree	
Howard Alford	Rte. 1, Box 19, Lanes	
Howard Edwards	Rte. 2, Box 262, Kingstree	
Viola Dunmore	Rte. 1, Box 161, Lanes	
Henry Booker	Rte. 2, Box 184, Kingstree	

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Name of persons	adress	Certificate no.
Thelma Rogers	Rte., Box 157, Johnsonville	
Isla Jones	Rte. Box 175, Hemingway	
Ella Mae Gibson	Rte. 1, Box 115, Andrews	
Alfair Roberts	Rte. 1, Box 61, Lanes	
Ruthy Jones Nesmith	Rte. 1, Box 12-A, Kingstree	
Lou Barr	715 Harrel St., Kingstree	
Mary White	P. O. Box 381, Kingstree	
Levine McClary	Rte. 1, Box 51, Salters	
Louise McCullough	Rte. 3, Box 291, Kingstree	
Lottie McClary	Rte. 1, Box Box 51, Salters	
Elouise McClary	Rte. 3, Box 105-D, Andrews	
Bernetha Nessmith	P. O. Box 53, Trio	
W. N. Henry	P. O. Box 105, Andrews	
Annethea L. Bass	120 Church St., Kingstree	
Calvin Cooper	P. O. Box 34-A, Nesmith	
Samuel Fulton	Rte. 3, Box 32, Kingstree	
Onetha Buffkin	207 Church St., Kingstree	
Fred Withers	Rte. 1, Box 152, Salters	
Oliver Chandler	Rte. 3, Box 44-A, Kingstree	
Joe Henry Brown	Rte. 2, Box 65, Greeleyville	
Thadis McCullough	Rte. 3, Box 291, Kingstree	
Willie James McKnight	Rte. 4, Box 123, Lake City	
Eddie McGee	Rte. 1, Box 116, Nesmith	
Mose Hilton	Rte. 1, Box 104, Lanes	

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Name of persons	adress	Certificate no.
Missouiri White	Rte. 1, Box 104, Lanes	
Ellen Hilton	Rte. 1, Box 104, Lanes	
Sam Burroughs	701 Thorne Ave., Kingstree	
Susie Burroughs	Rte. 2, Box 28-A, Greeleyville	
J. Bond	Rte. 2, Box 36, Kingstree	
Sally Redden	Rte. 2, Box 39-?A, Kingstree	
Susanna Fulton	Rte. 2, Box 36, Kingstree	
Earnest Fulton	Rte. 2, Box 26, Kingstree	
Barbara Manning	203 Madison Ave., Kingstree	
Rev. Charles J. Jones	203 Madison Ave., Kingstree	
Jannie Shaw	Rte. 1, Box 305-C, Andrews	
Earline Pressley	Rte. 1, Box 305, Andrews	
Monia Barr	Rte. 1, Box 23, Hemingway	
Helen J. Scott	710 Livingston, Kingsree	
Elouise Scott	Rte. 2, Box 249-B Lake City	
Annie Scott	Rte. 2, Box 78, Lake City	
Neretha Cooper	Rte., Box 120, Lake City	
Jannie McKnight	309 Eastland, Kingstree	
Eugene Cooper	Rte 4, Box 120, Lake City	
David McClain	Rte. 3, Box 203, Kingstree	
Lillie McKnight	Rte. 3, Box 203, Kingstree	
Laura Gadsden	Rte. 3, Box 168-A, Kingstree	
Mary Holt	Rte. 2, Box 276, Kingstree	
Jacquelyn Larry	120 Charles Ave., Kingstree	

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~~J. B.~~ Cooper	Cades	
Blease Green	Rte. 1, Box 5, Lanes	
Jonathan Felder	Rte. 1, Box 20, Lanes	
Lee A. Singletary B.	Box 71, Greeleyville	
Lenbrong Hunter	Rte. 2, Box 167-E, Kingree	
Lortha Green	P. O. Box 122, B, Greeleyville	
Richard Cooper	Rte. 2, Box 274-A, Kingstree	
Elijah Chadler	Rte. 1, Box 80, Kingstree	
Robeet L. Poinsett	Rte. 1, Box 65, Kingstree	
Jewel James Tisdale	Rte. 1, Box A, Greeleyville	
Cora Rush	Rte. 2, Box 75, Kingstree	
Agnes S. Oxidine	Rte. 2, Box 26, Salters	
Carrie Jones	Rte. 1, Box145, Kingstree	
Blanch Pressley	Rte. 1, Box 145, Kingstree	
Walter Graham, Jr.	Rte. 2, Box 191-B, Kingstree	
Jack Wilson	Rte. 2, Box 191, Kingstree	
Louise Fulmore	Rte. 4, Box 281, Lake City	
Rachel Fulmore	Rte. 4, Box 293, Lake City	
Ethel Lee McClain	599 Thorne Ave., Kingstree	
Wilhelmenia Dimery	South Main St., Kingstree	
Mellenise Nesmith	P. O. Box 22, Nesmith	
Eugene Porchea	General Delivery, Nesmith	
Sam Joe Nesmith	P. O. Box, Nesmith	
Leola Wilson	Rte. 1, Box 94-A, Lanes	

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Willie Abrams	Rte. 1, Box 98, Lanes	
Chester Wilson	Rte. 1, Box 94-A, Lanes	
Sarah Holt	Rte. 2, Box 274-B, Kingstree	
Minnie Mouzon	Rte. 3, Box 30, Kingstree	
Thomas Mouzon	Rte. 3, Box 30, Kingstree	
James Fulton	Rtal, Box 65, Kingstree	
Judy Murdough	Rte. 3, Box 55, Kingstree	
Winfred Murdough	210 Lexington Ave., Kingstree	
Douglas C. Barr	607 Franklin St., Kingstree	
Raymond Scott	Rte. 1, Box 145, Kingstree	
Pansy B. Graham	Rte. 1, Box 53, Hemingway	
Lillian Bradley	Rte. 1, Box 53, Hemingway	
Patricia Barr	P. O. Box 478, Kingstree	
Mabel M. Cooper	Rte. 1, Box 60-A, Cades	
Robert H. Cooper	Rte. 1, Box 60-A, Cades	
Ransom P. Cooper	Rte. 4, Box 143, Lake City	
Fred G. Miller	313 Blakley St., Kingstree	
Queen Ester Miller	313 Blakely, Kingstree	
Willie D. Nesmith	Rte. 1, Box 56, Nesmith	
Willie Murphy	Rte. 1, Hemingway	
John Kelly	Rte. 1, Box 155, Lanes	
Johnny Murphy	Rte. 1, Hemingway	
Ben Williams	Rte. 4, Box 122-A, Hemingway	
Melvin Thomas	Rte. 1, Box 17-A, Cades	

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Name of persons	adress	Certificate no.
Lucile Green	Rte. 3, Box 42, Hemingway	
Mattie Green	Rte. 3, Box 39, Hemingway	
Nathan Addison	Rte. 2, Box 190, Kingstree	
Edan Dozier	Rte. 2, Box 95, Salters	
Samuel L. Faison	P. O. Box 45, Trio	
Harmon Cooper	Rte. 1, Box 82, Hemingway	
Pinckney Fulton	P. O. Box 431, Kingstree	
Blanche Johnson	Rte. 1, Box 15-D, Kingstree	
Flossie Beaufort	P. O. Box 34, Nesmith	
Rebecca Jackson	Rte. 2, Box 93, Salters	
Lillian Reed	Rte. 1, Box 101, Greeleyville	
Raymond Scott	Rte. 1, Box 145, Kingstree	
Arleno P. Paley	Rte. 1, Box 173, Hemingway	
Nettie W. Commander	Rte. 1, Box 48, Kingstree	
Leroy Myers	Rte. 1., Box 53-B, Salters	
Robert McGrea	Rte. 2, Box 178, Salters	
Edith Green	Rte. 3, Box 41, Henmingway	
Mable Williams	P. O. Box 38, Nesmith	
Arlen York	Rte. 1, Box 78-A, Nesmith	
Francena Nesmith	Rte. 1, Box 78-A, Nesmith	
Willie G. Bradley	Rte. 3, Box 280-A, Kingstree	
Geneva Scott	Rte. 1, Box 145, Kingstree	
Amie S. Johnson	119 Harold Street, Kingstree	
Lela Mae Nesmith	P. O. Box 9, Nesmith	

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3. County Williamsburg

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Name of persons	adress	Certificate no.
Prince Nesmith	P. O. Box 9, Nesmith	
Ella Mae Allen	Rte. 2, Box 255-X, Kingstree	
Joe Montgomery	Rte. 1, Hemingway	
Leroy Jenkonson	P. O. Box 411, Hemingway	
Enis Bradley	Rte. 2, Box 411, Hemmingway	
Samuel Brown,	Rte. 4, Box 133, Lake City	
Myers Nesmith	Rte. 1, Box 13, Nesmith	
Ralph Brunson	Rte. 1, Box 92, Nesmith	
Rev. J. S. Dial	319 W. Main St., Kingstree	
Edna Mae Miller	Rte. 2, Box 191-C, Kingstree	
Martin Miller	Rte. 2, Box 191 -C, Kingstree	
Elizabeth Mitchell	P. O. Box 64, Trio	
D. W. Mitchell	P. O. Box 64, Trio	
Daisy Green	Rte. 3, Box 43, Hemingway	
Ellie Green	Rte. 3, Box 40, Hemingway	
Mary Lee Shaw	Rte. 1, Box 15-B, Kingstree	
Jack Johnson	Rte. 4, Box 119-A, Hemingway	
Woodrow Wilson	Rte. 2, Box 247-A, Lake City	
Willa Brown	Rte 2, Box 248-A, LakecCity	
Paul Barr	Rte. 1, Box 108, Hemingway	
Nathaniel Wisdom	Rte. 2, Box 203, Salters	
Eugene Duffy	Rte. 3, Box 1-A, Kingstree	
Oneil D. Faison	Rte. 2, Box 160, Salters	
Daisy R. Joe	Rte. 1, Box 199-A, Salters	

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3. County Williamsburg

4. Your name,adress and certificate number

Name of persons	adress	Certificate no.
Laura Joe	Rte. 1, Box 199-A, Salters	
Betty Keels	Rte. 2, Box 189-A, Kingstree	
Rosa Liner	P. O. Box 335, Kingstree	
Pearlean Lewis	Rte. 1, Box 116, Andrews	
Pearlese Snow		
Nathan Scott	Rte. 2, Box 249, Lake City	
Bonnie Cooper	1004 Wilkerson St., Kingstree	
Edward Wilson	Rte. 3, Box 176, Kingstree	
Frances Wilson	Rte. 3, Box 176, Kingstree	
J. J. Dozieer	Rte. 2, Box 96, Salters	
Evelyn Foster	Rte. 2, Box 103, Cades	
Friday Cooper	1004 Wilkinson St., Kingstree	
Juluis Lewis	Rte. 2, Box 196, Hemingway	
Willie K. Rogers	Rte. 2, Box 195, Hemingway	
Isaac Brockington	Rte. 3, Box 28, Kingstree	
Margie Brockington	Rte. 3, Box 28, Kingstree	
Pearl Donnelly	P. O. Box 424, Hemingway	
Sally D. Croslin	Rte. 1, Box 106, Hemingway	
Bertha C. Donnelly	Rte. 4, Box 256, Hemingway	
Virginia Page	Rte. 1, Box 199-B, Salters	
Margaret Dozier	Rte. 2, Box 95, Salters	
Mamie L. Duffie	Rte. 3, Box 1-A, Kingstree	
Inez Ethel Session	Rte. 1, Box 125, Hemingway	

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2. Place of Voting

3. County Lee

4. Your name,adress and certificate number

Name of persons	adress	Certificate no.
Mrs. Ada Davis		6373
Mrs. Irene Prescott		6374
Mrs Lydia Stuckey		6379
Miss Bobby J. Isaac		6382
Miss Ruby N. Davis		6393
Miss Lucile Bracy		6398
Miss Sarah Simeon		6246
R. Willie J. Nelson		5767
Minne Henry		6211

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2. Place of Voting Dillon

3. County Dillon

4. Your name,adress and certificate number

Name of persons	adress	Certificate no.
Grace Vorner	Lake View, S. C.	939
Mary Readen	Lake View, S. C.	948
Marlyn V. Gamble	Lake View, S. C.	950
Clara M. Hodge	Lake View, S. C.	949
Carolyn O. Huges	Lake View, S. C.	942
Julia M. Hastie	Lake View, S. C.	956
Mildred Wilis	Lake View, S. C.	952
Gloria Vorner	Lake View, S. C.	946
Adell Mobley	Lake View, S. C.	947
Anna Breeden	Lake View,S. C.	943
Martha Miller	Lake View, S. C.	955
Vermel Seabrook	Lake View, S. C.	951
Doris A. Stizey	Lake View, S. C.	953
Winfred Rowell	Lake View, S. C.	944
Blonetha Bell	Lake View, S. C.	958
Hattie Power	Lake View, S. C.	961
Mae Julia Hutley	Lake View, S. C.	964
Donell Campbell	Lake View, S. C.	932
Willia A. Ford	Lake View, S. C.	937
Bessie Ford	Lake View, S. C.	938
John Washington McRae	Lake View, S. C.	538
Julia Mae McRain	Dillon, S. C.	2066
Mable B. Bethea	Dillon, S. C.	1148

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2. Place of Voting **Dillon**

3. County **Dillon**

4. Your name,adress and certificate number

Name of persons	adress	Certificate no.
Susan Jackson	Lake View, S. C.	956
Ida Bell McKinzie	Dillon, S. C.	2084
Addie Ruth McRae	Dillon, S. C.	2086
Neal Artie Sellers	Dillon, S. C.	2070
Clara Mae Townsend	Dillon, S. C.	2062
Annie Jane Murphy	Dillon, S. C.	129
Robert Joe Sanders	Dillon, S. C.	1152
Carolina Swinney	Dillon, S. C.	1150
Connie Clark	Dillon, S. C.	1149
Armethia Manning	Dillon, S. C.	520
Lee Mack Leslie	Dillon, S. C.	1131
Ethel Legetta	Dillon, S. C.	527

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Name of persons	adress	Certificate no.
Susan Williams		12694
Clifron E. Bryant		12695
Andrew Gasque		12696
Maybelle Johnson		12697
Lizzie Knowlin		12698
Edgar Walker		12615
Emanuel Smith		12716
Bertha Smith		12717
Joe Frank Williams		12718
Henry Brown		12720
Samuel Washington		12721
Alice Green		12722
Lucy Thompson		12723
Thomasina Hilton		12724
Wilhemina Palmer		12725
Ervin Minton		12726
Mary M. Verner		12727
Samuel Dease		12728
Herbert Dease		12729
Alber Dease		12731
Herbert Dease		12730
Luther James Windley		12731
Leroy Palmer		12732
David Morant		12733

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Name of persons	adress	Certificate no.
McKinley Hicks		12388
Richard Linen		12390
Geneva Boyd		12391
Arlene Grate		12412
Florence Gass		12398
Julia Mae Lance		12413
McCoy Gass		12413
Renell Goss		12555
Irene Goss		12551
Ed Grate		10484
Willie Walker		12549
Carolyn Ann Grey		12550
Nellie Shubrick		
Earnest Lee Blount		12491
Tommie Shubrick		
Dorothy McCown		12573
Janie Gibson		12573
Heriott Ann Green		12567
Earnestine Gillard		
Arthur Washington		12701
Annie Milton Wearing		12738
Geroge Dozier		12750
Seymour Davis		12751
Nina Davis		12752
Mary Jane Ford		12753

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Name of persons	adress	Certificate no.
Elijah Watson		12699
Elias Moore		12700
Needham Green		12763
Louise Alford		12764
Catharine Robinson		12765
Herman Walter Robinson		12766
Juliette Cambell		12767
Earline Cambell		12768
Willie E. Robinson		12770
Loilly M. Porcher		12771
Annie Tucker		12771
Hester Robinson		12773
Guy Palmers		12774
Samuel Walker		12775
Marion Gamble		12776
Roosevelt Miller		12777
Sarah Gourdine		12778
William Days		12690
Myrtle Show		12691
Thomas Jefferson Gasque		12692
Florence Bryant		12693
Willie Morant		12734
Bertha Morant		12734
Beatrice Dease		12736
Perline Morant		12737

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Name of persons	adress	Certificate no.
Daisy Belle Thompson		12754
Heywood Jackson		12755
Olin Thompson		12756
Pearl Tynman		12757
Westley James Tynman		12758
Mattie Moore		12759
Joe Glen Stewart		12760
Ruth Hilton		12761
Lizzie P. Minton		12762
Josephine Gray		12713
Alberta Porter		12790
Susan Green		12119
Lawrence Tisdale		
Herman E. Green		12261
Sam Alston		12343
Kelly Young		12344
Sandy Dozier		12347
Vernice J. Robinson		12348
Dorothea Davis		12351
Rosa Leee Davis		12353
Marie R. Kelly		12358
Luther Alson		12356
Hanna Mae Seebrook		12357
Richard Miller		12361

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Name of persons	adress	Certificate no.
Frank Washington		
Santon Turner		12362
Richard A. Allen		12363
Clenon Lee Myers		12385
James A. Sands		12386
Ben Manigault		12388
John Richard		12705
Ida Grant		12704
Eliza Smith		12703
Arthur Nesbit, Sr.		12702
James Grant		12712
Jeff Washington		12711
Rosa C. Brown		12710
Viola McCollor		12709
Lillie Mae Sumpter		12708
Catharine G. Kelly		12709 # 2
Clifford Lang		12706

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Name of persons	adress	Certificate no.
Lula Bell Brown	Rte. 2, Florence	30269
Betty Jean Allen	Rt. 4, Lake City	29016
Lillie Burgess	215 Pine Street	28195
Randolph Brown	113 Knight Street	29782
Johnnie Boyd	Peachtree Street	29786
Janette Cameron	Rt. 3, Lake City	29266
William Cooper	Rt. 1, Lake City	30047
Jess Cameron	Rt. 3, Lake City	30751
Nathaniel Epps	Rt. 4, Lake City	28333
Nehemiah Epps	Rt. 3, Lake City	29803
Charlie Gibbs	Lake Street	28228
Leroy Graham	220 Peachtree Street	29000
Euna Bell Gaskins	P. O. Box 221, Lake City	29217
Sylvester Gaskins	S. Acline Street	29420
Leila E. Heyward	Lake Street	28393
William F. Meuzon	Box 614, Lake City	29784
Hattie Middleton	Peachtreet Street	29780
Jam Nero, Jr.	Lake City	28341
James F. Parker	Lake City	28166
Myrtle Parker	Lake City	28202
Johnny Parson	Pine Street	28386
Febbie Singletary	Rt. 3, Lake City	28360
Clarence Smith	Rt. 4, Lake City	28381
Heyward Speights	Rt. 3, Lake City	28382

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Name of persons	adress	Certificate no.
Weldon Skipper	Church Street	28401
Frank Singletary	Box 313, Lake City	29872
Evelyn B. Singletary	Box 313, Lake City	29869
Willie Joe Wilson	P. O. Box 528, Lake City	29447
Morris L. Brown	419 N. Tanyard	30723
Virginia Frederick	406 Darlington	28734
Eunice Hughes	Rt. 4, Timmonsville	20708
Lottie E. Kennedy	623 Tanyard	29775
Sadie Myers	Rt. 4, Timmonsville	30257
Audrey Martin	601 N. Brockington	30461
Martha Jane Nettlie	Rt. 2, Timmonsville	29592
Modina Thompson	609 Brockington	29672
Gertrude Belin	Rt. 1 Pamplico	30534
Clyde Brooks	Rt. 1, Pamplico	30730
Mollie Belfloner	Rt. 2, Pamplico	31408
Taylor D. Belfloner	Rt. 2, Pamplico	31409
Bertha Mae Eaddy	Rt. 1, Pamplico	31328
Fennie Grant	Rt. 1, Pamplico	29532
Maggie D. Jackson	P. O. Box, Pamplico	28702
Nathan Lewis	Rt. 2, Pamplico	29141
Rada Myers	Rt. 1, Pamplico	30958
Herbert McNeil	Rt. 2, Pamplico	29168
Geneva McNeil	Rt. 1, Pamplico	31379
Phebbie D. Parker	P. O. Box, Pamplico	28701

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Name of persons	adress	Certificate no.
Earline E. Timmons	Rt. 1, Pamplico	29175
James A. Gordon	Box 63, Scranton	28408
Larry B. Lilly	P. O. Box 44, Scranton	28336
Flossie Lilly	P. O. Box 44, Scranton	28363
Major McAdam	Box 36, Scranton	28220
Emma Lee Thomas	Wall Street	28398
Wesley McNeil	Rt. 1, Pamplico	28256
John Henry Allison	Rt. 1, Johnsonville	28280
Cephus Briggs	Rt. 1, Johnsonville	28281
Dillie P. Footman	Rt. 1, Johnsonville	28263
Bessie Parker	Rt. 1, Johnsonville	28261

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Name of persons	adress	Certificate no.
Elona C. Wright	411 Liberty	30092
Velma Walters	113 E. Lucas	30451
Dorothy Williams	1514 Rockway	30474
Willie Wilson	512 N. Boyd	30973
Pluma Wearinger	115 Bristow	30979
Elizabeth Scipio	1107 N. Irby	29098
Mable Sellers	506 Roughfork	29321
Mary Smith	721 Bradford	29704
Georgia Starnes	1004 N. Irby	30089
Millee Sanders	1007 Pawley	30109
Lawrence Sanders	1007 Pawley	30110
Annie Scott	203 Bower	30246
Newton Scott	702 W. Darlington	30931
Gladys Scott	312 W. Liberty	29777
Sarah Brown	809 Ellis	29320
Darlita Black	108 Chandler Circle	29456
Annie Brown	707 E. Cheves	29518
Eugene Bowens	905 E. Evans	29525
Linda Lee Bowens	120 Sammy's Lane	29527
Brailsford, Bobby	1221 E. Evans	29586
Juanita McCullim	707 E. Cheves	29304
Queen Esther McFarland	1307 E. Evans	29345
Dave McClain	514 N. Boyd	29478
Annie Mae McAllister	1307 E. Evans	29661

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John McCullough	605 Jefferson	30706
Frances McCullen	707-A E. Cheves	29747
Ed. Owens	154 S. Gaillard	29585
Carrie Orie	601 Hampton	30471
Maggie Pleas	111 Divine St.	29120
Alma Rooks	114 Liberty	29346
Clara Regins	170 E. Front	29663
Queen Esther Rivers	507 Washington	30594
Martha Ann Robinson	706 Layton	30722
Viola Ross	622 Royal	29732
Melvin Ross	201 E. Roghfork	29925
Clarence Thomas	1504 N. Irby	28847
Azalee Thomas	823 Fraser	29458
Lizzie E. Thomas	904 Muldrow	30711
Isabella Wearing	708 Lee St.	29079
Frank Wells	710 Pawley	29244
Martha Adams	1302 Sumter St.	30682
Louise Alexander	Rt. 1, Florence	31055
Rosa Bowens	905 E. Evans	29005
Joan Barr	1011 Maxwell	29037
James Bowens	905 E. Evans	29068
Willie Bostick	707 E. Cheves	29107
Thomasina Brown	301 W.Roughfork	29138
Willie Dubose	707 Oakland	28784

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Name of persons	adress	Certificate no.
Deloris Davis	1519 Rockyway	29022
Hannibal Daniels	813 Royal	29590
Malisha Demprey	1357 E. Evans	30023
Annie Mae Davis	1514 Rockyway	30221
Minnie Dorsey	114 N. Vista	30972
Janie Lee Downs	603 Brand	30990
Leroy Downs	603 Brand	30996
Dorothy Dubose	622 Royal	29731
Laura Eaddy	913 McCown	29329
Betty Lore Ellis	205 Roughfork	29353
Louise Eagleton	1050 Day	30223
Ruth Ellison	1004 N. Irby	30087
Ernest King	Rt. 3, Florence	29078
Dorothy King	Rt. 3, Florence	29077
Lottie Lowery	Timmonsville	29257
Nannie E. Brewer	411 Liberty	30089
Kay Frances Bryson	1004 N. Irby	30090
Willie Bell Baker	Manning St.	30324
Gretha Burch	1524 Rockyway	30378
Wm. H. Battiste	711 Lynch	30531
Sarah Brown	571 Olive	30686
Daisy Black	Spaulding Heights	30957
Pauline Boone	517 N. Dargan	30978
Isaiah Boone	2225 Rockyway	31359

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Name of persons	adress	Certificate no.
Mack Brunson	608 N. Irby	31372
Brown, Robert	707 E. Cheves	29746
Willie Mae Johnson	Rt. 1, Florence	31371
Wilbert Johnson	505 Stackley	31047
Susana Joseph	680 Royal	29769
Louise Kershaw	519 Boyd	29405
Louise Lee	901 McCown	29179
Thomasina Lowery	102 Liberty	29493
Lula Lee	610 Washington	31018
Tommie Lee	610 Washington	31016
Daisy Lowery	102 E. Liberty	29721
Carrie Lloyd	827N. Dargan	30792
George Montgomery	804 Royal	28983
Willie Marks	529 Stackley	29066
Calvin Matthews	106 Roughfork	29294
John W. Miller	1253 E. Evans	29416
Frances Melvin	Maxwell St.	29474
Ruby Lee Mumford	Rt. 1, Florence	30455
Caesar Mumford	Rt. 1, Florence	30456
Helena Manago	456 N. Dargan	30962
Lucile Myers	200 E. Marlboro	29911
Claudia McClain	514 N. Boyd	29219
Mildred Edmond	816 Evans	30545
Florine Ellison	109 Henry	30995

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Name of persons	adress	Certificate no.
W. M. Ellis	216 E. Marion	29734
Eddie Gregg	405 Hampton	29007
Telatba Gerald	708 Maxwell	29089
Mildred Goodman	104 Liberty	29297
Lucile Gillis	113 Liberty	29347
Jamema Gregg	254 Athens	29468
MamieGordon	408 Washington	29641
Rosa Gordon	408 Washington	29477
Orilla Grainger	343 Church	30076
Willie Gregg	215 Darlington	30577
Ulysses Glover	713 Bradford	30661
Brenda Gardner	804 Fraser	31334
W. M. Gibson	903 Maxwell	29730
Charles Holt	1512 Rockyway	28767
Josephine Ham	202 Booker	28848
Willie Mae Hayes	904 Frazier	30805
Willie Isaiah	105 John St.	28974
Edna Jackson	606 Brunson	30700
Mattie Brooks	R. R. Ave.	28232
Lee Brooks	R. R. Ave.	28239
Eliza Ann Barr	Pine St.	28268
Luda Mae Bordon	Rt. 1, Johnsonville	31026
Henry James Cooper	Rt. 2, Box 172 Johnsonville	29498
Jimmie Davis	Rt. 1, Johnsonville	28240

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Name of persons	adress	Certificate no.
John M. Davis	Rt. 1, Johnsonville	28270
Frank M Davis	Rt. 2, Johnsonville	28703
Edna Dickirt	Rt. 2, Johnsonville	29250
Grace Generette	Johnsonville	28257
Jessie Hanna	Johnsonville	28259
Dollie McCown	Rt. 1, Johnsonville	28245
Margaret McNeil	Rt. 1, Johnsonville	28279
Bertha Stuckey	Rt. 1, Johnsonville	28262
Ella Gertrude Singleton	Rt. 1, Johnsonville	28260
Rosa M. Sutton	Rt. 1, Johnsonville	28266
Priscilla Tamer	Johnsonville	28278
Pearline Ashley	Rt. 1, Effingham	30206
Theo Benjamin	Rt. 1, Effingham	31384
Rosa Lee Harley	Rt. 2, Effingham	31303
Mary Louise Johnson	Rt. 1, Effingham	30075
Jannie Mae Myers	Rt. 2, Effingham	30578
Betty C. McDaniel	Rt. 1, Florence	29030
Lula Mae Bailey	Rt. 1, Florence	30084
Fred M. Gregg	Rt. 4, Florence	28692
Joe Scott	Rt. 1, Florence	29483
Edna Mae Scott	Rt. 1, Florence	29752
Catherine Waiters	Rt. 4, Florence	29106
Geneva E. Wright	Rt. 4, Florence	29716
Sarah Lee Ford	Rt. 4, Florence	30715

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Name of persons	adress	Certificate no.
Pearlie Mae Hannah	Rt. 3, Florence	28831
Mattie Keels	Rt. 3, Florence	28834
Clifton Mason	Rt. 3, Florence	29234
Alma B. Palmer	Rt. 3, Florence	29002
Annie Mae Jordon	Rt. 2, Timmonsville	29760
Shirley Temple Jordon	Rt. 2, Timmonsville	29761
Washington Pauley	Rt. 2, Timmonsville	29762
Louis H. Pauley	Rt. 2, Timmonsville	29214
Bessie Brown	Rt. 4, Timmonsville	29596
Ruth Cummings	Rt. 1, Effingham	29156
Bessie Kennedy	Rt. 4, Timmonsville	29648
Rosa Lee Bartelle	Rt. 1, Johnsonville	28248
Ella Bartelle	Rt. 1, Johnsonville	28250
Rozella Eaddy	Rt. 1, Johnsonville	
Robert Fleming	Rt. 1, Johnsonville	28249
Albert Fleming	Rt. 1, Johnsonville	28254
Tommie Woodberry	Rt. 1, Johnsonville	28251
Ellerbe Woodberry	Rt. 1, Johnsonville	28264
Betty Sue Woodberry	Rt. 1, Johnsonville	28267

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SIXTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

1. Precinct or Ward Number

2. Place of Voting

3. County Horry County

4. Your name,adress and certificate number

Name of persons	adress	Certificate no.
Dissil Wilson	Rte. 5, Conway, S. C.	24058
Mablel Walenford	" " "	24169
Frederick Mays	" " "	24009
Henry Wilson	" " "	24008
Minor DeWitt	" " "	24142
Azalee Parker	" " "	8741
Lizzie DeWitt	" " "	21171
Lillian DeWitt	" " "	23989
Doris Johnson	" " "	24220
Hattie Parker	" " "	24007
Lizzie Wilson	" " "	23990
Gis Brant	" " "	24155
Clarenda Chestnut	" " "	24147
Jannie Mae Hills	" " "	24149
Leola Galloway	" " "	24004
Thetis Galloway	" " "	24005
Eleanor White	1821 Race Path St., Conway, S. C.	24620
Mildred G. Doe	175 2 Hemingway St., " "	24168
Rosa Johnson	1713A Highway 378, " "	24108
Ethel Drayton	1700 " " " "	24197
Mable C. Graham	1705 Brown St,, " "	24195
Geneva Moore	" " " " "	24196
Nellie O. Scott	Brown Street " "	24194
Edith M. Davis	Granger Road, " "	23660

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Name of persons	adress	Certificate no.
Richard Williams	Rte. 2, Box 9, Conway, S. C.	23655
Shirley Pyatt	Spivey Alley, " "	
James Hill		24634
Elizabeth Johnson		23702
Margaret Johnson		25453
George W. Wallingford		25438
Sam Bryant		25437
Edward Lee Jenerette		25436
Leroy L. Chestnut		25413
Vernon Anderson		25292
Jessie Green		25357
Blanchie Vereen		25363
George Johnson		11856
Bernice Johnson		25444
Lelia Crawford		8068
Howard Crometel		25439
Lonnil Hill		24632
Glayds Doctor		21434
Rosa Crawford		24934
Bobby Jean Johnson		24621
Mildred Bryant		24868
Writher Kelly		25349
Addie Mae Hemingway	Rte. 1, Longs, S. C.	6516
Esterlene Hemingway	" 2, Loris, S. C.	25304
William Mitchell	1517 Tinkertown,Ave., Conway, S. C.	25301

SIXTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA

HORRY COUNTY PROGRESSIVE ASSOCIATION

TOTAL POPULATION OF HORRY COUNTY ----68,247

NEGRO POPULATION - 18,199, 26.7%

Election Analysis

PRECINCT	PER CENT NEGRO	PER CENT WHITE
1. Adrian	10%	90%
2. Allsbrook	15%	85%
3. Aynor	28%	72%
4. Bayboro	50%	50%
5. Brownway	15%	85%
6. Cedar Grove	40%	60%
7. Central Myrtle Beach	25%	75%
8. Cherry Grove	25%	75%
9. Cool Spring	20%	80%
10. Crescent Beach	25%	75%
11. Daisy	20%	80%
12. Dog Bluff	17%	83%
13. Dogwood	20%	80%
14. East Conway	10%	90%
15. East Loris	25%	75%
16. Ebenezer	40%	60%
17. Floyds	20%	80%
18. Four Mile	15%	85%
19. Galivants Ferry	20%	80%
20. Green Sea	25%	75%
21. Gurley	15%	85%
22. Hickory Grove	20%	80%
23. Hickory Hill	20%	80%
24. Homewood	35%	65%
25. Horry	16%	84%
26. Jamestown	10%	90%
27. Jernigans X Road	15%	85%
28. Jordanville	19%	81%

29.	Joyner Swamp	21%	79%
30.	Juniper Bay	12%	88%
31.	Leon	4%	96%
32.	Little River	34%	66%
33.	Live Oak	15%	85%
34.	Maple	21%	79%
35.	Marlowe	10%	90%
36.	Mill Swamp	18%	82%
37.	Mt. Oliver	25%	75%
38.	Mt. Vernon	10%	90%
39.	Nixon X Roads	19%	81%
40.	North Conway	10%	90%
41.	N. Myrtle Beach	15%	85%
42.	Norton	20%	80%
43.	Ocean Drive	4%	96%
44.	Pawley Swamp	15%	85%
45.	Pleasant View	25%	75%
46.	Popular Hill	35%	65%
47.	Port Harrelson	70%	30%
48.	Race Path	100%	0%
49.	Rehobeth	20%	80%
50.	Red Bluff	23%	77%
51.	Red Hill	2%	98%
52.	Salem	15%	85%
53.	Shell	4%	96%
54.	Socastee	40%	60%
55.	S. Myrtle Beach	5%	95%
56.	Spring Branch	30%	70%
57.	Surfside	0%	100%
58.	Sweet Home	20%	80%
59.	Taylorsville	25%	75%
60.	Tilly Swamp	15%	85%

61.	Toddville	12%	88%
62.	Wampee	55%	45%
63.	West Conway	6%	94%
64.	West Loris	10%	90%
65.	White Oak	10%	90%

Respectfully submitted,

Franklin R. DeWitt

Franklin R. DeWitt
Acting Secretary

Dillon Latta Lake View

(Areas, Circle one which this report covers)

REGISTER and VOTE CAMPAIGN DAILY RECAPITULATION SHEET

[redacted] HOW MANY REGISTERED PRECINCT

C	W	
33	152	Bermuda
10	88	Carolina
284	1,317	East Dillon
132	615	South Dillon
326	706	West Dillon
39	279	Floydale
37	245	Fork
16	148	Gaddy's Mill
101	253	Hamer
19	163	Kemper
262	726	Lake View
203	810	Latta
100	246	Little Rock
16	197	Manning
20	70	Minturn
39	205	Mt. Calvary
42	103	New Holly
13	410	Oak Grove
17	91	Oakland
42	89	Pleasant Hill
1751	6913	

This is not what you asked for, but I'm sending it because I think you may find it interesting. R.S.B. (LD)

Totals, This Sheet.

Workers _____ Voters Registered _____

A. B. Rowell

DATE _____ Attest By Secretary

SHEET NUMBER _____

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BRANCH OFFICE: BETHUNE, S. C.

April 4, 1964

APR 9 1964

Mr. Randolph Blackwell, Field Director
Program of the Southern Regional Council
Room 206
Forsyth St., N.W.
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Sir:

Please find enclosed the completed organizational forms for Kershaw County in the Fifth Congressional District of South Carolina, of which I am chairman.

Our plans are going foward very nicely in the organization of the entire Fifth Congressional District. We are planning a meeting of the District at Rock Hill, S. C. the night of April 20, 1964. At our meeting in Camden on March 16, we had a good representation scattered over the Fifth District.

I would like to know from you what disposition has been made regarding the Budget that was given to you at Orangeburg, S.C. I would like to know as soon as possible for we have made some expense in travel and correspondance. In the next few weeks we will need to correspond and travel more and I'd like to know how this is to be done. We want to get every County in the District organized and working. The Committee is asking me about this and I'd like to have some definite information for them.

Yours truly,

R. H. Haile

R. H. Haile.

P. S. Do you have any Film strips that we could use along with our talks pretaining to Voting and Registration. If so, please let me know exactly what you have to offer. We need to use every available piece of material to get this matter over to our group.

Dear Congressional District Chairman:

We are in the process of considering registration work in the Counties of your Congressional District. In addition to the information which we have before us, will you please supply answers to the following questions?

Your speedy action in this regard will be very highly appreciated.

Yours truly,

Randolph T. Blackwell

Congressional District _No. 5

County _ Kershaw

State briefly the history of registration among Negro people in your county from August, 1963 to February, 1964.

It is on a gradually increase, and we feel in the next few weeks we will have a greater majority than we have at the present.

Most of our people in the city has been more conscience of their responsibility since our last city election.

Our people in the County are conscious too of our great potential in voter-registration education.

List the names and addresses of county officers.

Rev. James A. Curry, 820 Chestnut Street - Camden, South Carolina 29020
Kershaw County Chairman

Mr. James M. Frances, 2208 Pickett Street - Camden, South Carolina 29020
Kershaw County Vice-Chairman

Mrs. James S. Gasden, 709 West Dekalb Street - Camden, South Carolina 29020
Asst. Secretary

Mrs. Louise Reid, 810 Lafayette Avenue - Camden, South Carolina 29020
Secretary

List the names and addresses of precinct and ward leaders.

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Names and Addresses of County Officers Continued:

Mr. Roosevelt Rutherford, Route 1, Cassatt, South Carolina
County Treasurer

Rev. George M. Wilson, 814 Market Street - Camden, South Carolina
Chaplain

List the names and addresses of precinct and award leaders:

PRECINCT NO. I

Rev. James S. Gadsden, 709 West Dekalb Street, Camden, S. C.

PRECINCT NO. 2

Rev. G. W. Warren, 720 E. York Street, Camden, S. C.

PRECINCT NO. 3

Mrs. Carolyn Lawhorn, 1520 Campbell Street, Camden, S. C.

PRECINCT NO. 4

Prof. Alexander Boykin, Chestnut Street, Camden, S. C.

PRECINCT NO. 5

Mr. James M. Frances, 2208 Pickett Street, Camden, S. C.

NOTE: Other precincts in Kershaw County are in the process of being organized.

1. What is the attitude of the registrar's office toward Negro registration? If that attitude is hostile, specify what actions are taken by registrar personnel manifesting this hostility?

The Board of registration of Kershaw County is very favorable to all people, in the matter of registration.

2. Detail any harassment or intimidation of registrants or registration workers by public officials.

Only one case of intimidation but that has been properly settled, and at present all actions ~~has~~ have been most favorable.

3. If there have been overt indications of resistance on the part of the white community in general to Negro registration specify what specific form this resistance has taken.

There has been none.

4. What reasons are given by people who refuse to participate as prospective registrants in the registration program?

Some are timid and fearful.

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BRANCH OFFICE: BETHUNE, S. C.

April 6, 1964

Mr. Wiley A. Branton
Voter Education Project
Room 206
5 Forsyth St., N. W.
Atlanta, Ga.

APR 9 1964

Dear Mr. Branton:

In reply to your letter of April 3, 1964, it was a most pleasant surprise to have heard from you, and to know that your organization is still interested in our Fifth Congressional District in South Carolina.

There is much work to be done in the seven counties that constitute this Fifth District. Our work is progressing slowly but surely and I feel, in the next few months, we will have accomplished much in this matter of registration and voter Education of our people.

Please find enclosed one of my personal checks indicating the name of my Bank and electronic code numbers that are in use. I understand well that a special and separate account would have to be opened for our organization. I feel all of us who are concerned in the Fifth District will assure you that this matter will be handeled in a business like manner with a strict account given concerning monies spent.

Thanking you again for your letter and valid consideration that may be given the Project in our district.

Yours truly,

R. H. Haile

R. H. Haile, District Chairman

Encl:

4-9-64

April 3, 1964

Mr. R. H. Haile c/o Haile's Funeral Home
Camden, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Haile:

Upon recommendation of our Field Director, Mr. Randolph Blackwell, we have decided to make a grant to the Fifth Congressional District Voter Education Project in support of a voter registration program in your area. It will probably take us several days longer to reach a decision as to the exact amount of the grant which we will make and the duration of the program.

In any event, we will require the use of printed voucher checks in triplicate which we can order for you through our printer here in Atlanta and bill you for the actual cost. In order to expedite your program we will need from you immediately a blank check indicating the name of your bank and electronic code numbers which your bank may use. Let me point out that you will have to open a special account separate from any other account your organization may now maintain and this special account is to be used only for the disbursement of money coming to you from the Voter Education Project. This special account should bear the name Fifth Congressional District Voter Education Project.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:jl

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BRANCH OFFICE: BETHUNE, S. C.

April 9, 1964

APR 13 1964

Mr. Randolph T. Blackwell
Room 206
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Mr. Blackwell:

Please find enclosed a statement from Fairfield County, Fifth District of South Carolina for the organization of the said county for Voter Registration.

I guess by this time you have received my letter. If you have the Movie Films that I asked about in my letter, please let me know immediately.

I also received a letter from Mr. Branton, Project Director, in which he asked for pertinant information before the money for our budget would be forth coming. I trust this matter will be cleared up in a few days and we will receive the nrcessary financial help to continue our Voter Registration Project.

Yours truly,

R. H. Haile

R. H. Haile.

WB: Please put this with the folder given the other J.C. Project Proposals.
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Dear Congressional District Chairman:

We are in the process of considering registration work in the Counties of your Congressional District. In addition to the information which we have before us, will you please supply answers to the following questions?

Your speedy action in this regard will be very highly appreciated.

Yours truly,

Randolph T. Blackwell

Congressional District 5

County Fairfield

State briefly the history of registration among Negro people in your county from August, 1963 to February, 1964.

From August 1963 to February. The Registration was very good. We registered around 400. or more doing that time.

List the names and addresses of county officers.

Chairman Rev. M. J. Rabb Box 16A Jenkinsville, S.C.
Vice Chairman Mrs Josie Gaston Rte 1 Box 41 Winnsboro, S.C.
Secretary Mrs A. Edwards Rte 1 Box 52 Ridgeway SC

List the names and addresses of precinct and ward leaders.

Mrs MARY E MARTIN Coordinator

1. What is the attitude of the registrar's office toward Negro registration? If that attitude is hostile, specify what actions are taken by registrar personnel manifesting this hostility?

O.K.

2. Detail any harassment or intimidation of registrants or registration workers by public officials.

None

3. If there have been overt indications of resistance on the part of the white community in general to Negro registration specify what specific form this resistance has taken.

None.

4. What reasons are given by people who refuse to participate as prospective registrants in the registration program?

They are not interested
This is the ~~[illegible]~~ only
reason.

RECEIVED ~~THIS~~ DAY
OF APRIL, 1964
SIGNED: R. H. Haile
May 6, 1964

Voter Education Project

A PROGRAM OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

ROOM 205 / 5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. / ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

April 15, 1964

Mr. R. H. Haile, Chairman
Fifth Congressional District
Voter Education Project
Rutledge and Church Streets
Camden, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Haile:

I am pleased to inform you that the Voter Education Project has approved a grant in the amount of $2200 in support of a three-month voter registration program in the Fifth Congressional District of South Carolina. This program will begin on May 1, 1964, and terminate on July 31, 1964, unless it is subsequently continued by the Voter Education Project.

We have received a blank check from you showing electronic code numbers. We realize that the first of these numbers is the bank's number, but that the second group of numbers belongs to your Funeral Home account and are, therefore, having it left off the printed voucher checks.

We prefer that you not release any publicity concerning the amount of the grant which we are making to you other than to members of your executive committee or persons active with your registration program and all inquiries concerning the amount of the grant from reporters or others should be referred to our office. It probably would be best if there was no news release to the effect that you have received a grant from VEP but you definitely should not deny receiving support from us if anyone should ask. If you feel that you want to re-

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lease publicity concerning your Congressional District program and wish to mention VEP, you should simply state that the "voter registration program is being supported by the Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council," and let it go at that.

It is our understanding that your group will carry on an active voter registration program in every county in the Fifth Congressional District.

This grant will be paid to you in installments of $600 each on or about June 1, and July 1, and the initial installment of $1000 by May 1, 1964. All installments will be conditioned upon prompt progress and financial reporting. Our Research Assistant, Mrs. Barbara Whitaker, will write you concerning progress reporting requirements and your financial reporting is to be done on a weekly basis in accordance with the instructions which are being sent you under separate cover.

At least $1400 of the $2200 grant must be spent in the various counties making up the Fifth Congressional District. The amount of your proposal was reduced in this office by reason of the fact that we expect you to make use of Messrs. Brown and Robinson, CORE Field Secretaries, who have been working in the Fifth and Sixth Congressional Districts and there is no reason why they cannot serve as coordinators of your program. Their salaries and expenses are being paid by CORE through a grant from VEP.

Please let us know the name and address of the Treasurer of your organization and tell us to whom checks should be sent, and where you want us to mail your printed voucher checks when we get them.

The Voter Education Project is a non-partisan program in every sense of the word and no part of the funds from VEP may be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of nor against any political candidate. This restriction applies whether the political candidate be white or Negro.

You will be required to furnish the VEP office with complete and full information regarding your voter registration program and it is understood that VEP may cancel this program at any time and require that you pay over to VEP any unexpended funds which you may have on hand.

We are enclosing a copy of this letter and request that you indicate your understanding of the conditions and restrictions of this grant by signing this copy and returning it to us at once.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:jl
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April 24, 1964

Mr. R. H. Haile, Chairman
Fifth Congressional District
c/o Haile's Funeral Home
Camden, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Haile:

RE VEP 4-13

In accordance with the terms of our letter to you dated April 15, 1964, I enclose herein our VEP check in the amount of $1,000 representing payment of the first installment of the $2,200 grant which we have approved for a 3-month voter registration program in the Fifth Congressional District of South Carolina. This check should be deposited in your special VEP account and all financial transactions and reportings should be in accordance with instructions previously sent to you, and your progress reportings should follow instructions which will be sent to you by Mrs. Whitaker. We have mailed to you under separate cover 500 triplicate voucher checks and you should start using them in numerical order, and we should be furnished with copies of all checks written or voided each week.

I note that we have not yet received the signed copy of our April 15 letter which you were to return for our files in acknowledgment of your understanding of the conditions of the grant. Will you please send this to us at once.

I want to welcome you and your co-workers into this massive voter registration program and we look forward to a pleasant

and profitable relationship which should lead to substantially increased registration.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton
Director

WAB:bs

Enc. Check of $1,000

May 1, 1964

Mr. R. H. Baile, Chairman
Fifth Congressional District VEP
Rutledge and Church Streets
Camden, South Carolina RE: VEP 4-13

Dear Mr. Baile:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of April 29 in which you express concern "....because of the cut of $1,800 in the requested budget of $4,000," and the reasons you gave therefore.

I think I should give you some background information. When VEP was first established, there was a strong contention by many of the organizers that all funds should be distributed only through the five major [redacted] agencies (National Urban League, NAACP, SCLC, SNCC, and CORE). This contention was rejected and a policy was adopted whereby "some" of the money would be reserved for purely local organizations. The major agencies were given certain areas at the beginning of the project, and where those agencies have been interested in continuing to work, they have, for the most part, continued to receive support for those areas. CORE requested and was assigned the Fifth and Sixth Congressional Districts of South Carolina, and they have been working there to some extent, every since April 1, 1962.

We have had some concern about progress of the program in these two districts and we have discussed it on numerous occasions with CORE personnel, but it appears that the situation did not get any better. Largely as a result of recommendations made to us by Mr. Randolph T. Blackwell, our Field Director, we have launched in South Carolina, a kind of program that is different from any we have supported in any of the states, in that we are making grants to each

congressional district on a local basis. I am satisfied that we will get some criticism for having sponsored such a program, but we honestly feel that this new program will result in much greater registration and will help to provide some ongoing local leadership.

The only continuous program which we had in South Carolina was the CORE program through the work of Messrs. Brown and Robinson. We knew that we would run into considerable problems if we divested CORE of any responsibility in South Carolina , and a grant had already been made which would take care of the services by Brown and Robinson prior to the consideration of your budget and the money already given to CORE. Since [redacted] already been given to CORE, and we do not, at this time, want to terminate their VEP support, we felt that maximum use should be made of their services, and by doing as we have attempted to do, it makes it possible for the next three months, for CORE to continue to have some activity and at the same time, give you some financial support for your local project. The only alternative that we had at the time was to withhold any local support and let CORE continue as they have in the past.

This is a new approach which we are using, and I would hope that all of you could cooperate in an effort to improve your local registration project. We are now in a position to demand certain action on the part of the CORE representatives who are working with your program, but it would require your full cooperation and some specific description of what they might do. With this kind of information and cooperation, I firmly believe that you can get some meaninful help from these two men regardless of the past performance as described by you. If, on the other hand, you feel that the presence of Brown and Robinson would not help your program, and that you need a full-time director, then I can only suggest that the people in your district provide the necessary money to hire a full-time director of your choice, and this will be quite satisfactory to us.

If your results and cooperation have been satisfactory during your three-month program, then this would make a good case for additional support for funds from VEP to pay your own director [redacted] the program is continued beyond three months.

this statement should not be interpreted as any commitment on the part of VEP to continue your program. We have limited funds, and far more requests than we can fill, and if for any reason you do not feel that you can make meaningful use of the grant consistent with the terms and conditions of our letter of April 15, then you should do notify us and return the unused portion of the grant.

I note that we still have not received the signed copy of my April 15 letter, and we will need this for our files.

If you feel that a conversation would be of any value in discussing this further, then please call me collect, person-to-person here in Atlanta.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:js

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BRANCH OFFICE: BETHUNE, S. C.

MAY 1 1964

April 29, 1964

Mr. Wiley A. Branton
Voter Education Project
Room 206
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton:

In reply to your letters dated April 15 and April 25, 1964, I regret very much my delay in answering your letters for I thought it most expedient to discuss same, with members of the Executive family of the Fifth Congressional District and key people in this given area before making and decision as to the reply. I must say, however, that we, who are concerned here, were greatly surprised, primarily because of the cut of $1800.00 in the requested budget of $4000.00. The reasons that you gave were that we were supposed to have a coordinator given through your office.

It has been our experience with the two men that you suggested as coordinators, Messers Brown and Robinson, CORE field Secretaries. We, as a District, do not favor them because we have invited them to three different District meetings and two different County meetings and each time neither of them came or gave any reason for not coming. They seem not to have a dynamic approch, push or drive to get in on the basic ground work for this tremendous responsibility in the Fifth District. We feel that we know the personnel and key people in the Fifth District and we would want somebody with more know-how to help get the job done. We thusly feel that any funds that Voter Education Project are distributing to this great cause should be distributed to persons with-in the Fifth District. Those who are laboring in the field from the ground-work up: for our area is truly broad enough to require the services of a full time person instead of a part-time worker.

At this writing, the treasurer of our organization, who is a school teacher, has passed in his resignation because he feels that this is most damaging to his job. Therefore, at an Executive meeting to be held the first week in May, we plan to select another treasurer.

Our monies will be disbursed from a central point and as authorized by the Executive Committee of the Fifth Congressional District.

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BRANCH OFFICE: BETHUNE, S. C.

We are asking your Council to give a valid consideration to the points that are herein stated, for we feel that these adjustments should be effective before we can properly expand projects in our Fifth District. There are several Counties in the District that are lagging behind and need much attention. I feel beyond a doubt, we have done a remarkable job to date in the Fifth District since our beginning on January 26, 1964.

We do not want any Strings attatched: We have accepted the challenge and we will do the job.

Yours truly,

R. H. Haile

R. H. Haile, Chairman
Fifth Congressional District
Voter Education Project.

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BRANCH OFFICE: BETHUNE, S. C.

May 6, 1964

MAY 11 1964

Mr. Wiley A. Branton
Project Director
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton:

I have this
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I am returning herewith a signed copy of your April 15, 1964, communication.

I have also discussed the contents of your May 1st communication with members of the executive family of our Voter Registration Project. We feel that your office should have knowledge of the fact that Mr. Robinson, one of the Core representatives suggested by your office for use in our Voter Registration Project, was arrested and jailed in our city for violating traffic laws. The disheartening thing about this situation is that the gentleman in question did not have money with which to pay his fine, and one of our ministers had to supply bail for him until he could make contact with the National Office for the necessary funds. (The violation mentioned took place in a school zone where ample caution signs and yellow street markings were visible.)

Now, in spite of this most recent incident, we want you to know that we are ready to work with these representatives in any way that we can. However, we do wish to be advised of their plans, etc., where we are concerned; for we feel that uniform plans should be carefully made with these gentlemen and our project workers. Please advise if both Messers. Robinson and Brown are assigned to the Fifth Congressional District or if only one is assigned to our District. Finally, we are holding an important meeting on Friday, May 8, 1964, at which time we are expecting one or both of these gentlemen.

Your continued interest and cooperation with us in this great effort is sincerely appreciated.

Very truly yours,

R. H. Haile

R. H. Haile, Chairman
Fifth Congressional District

VRP 4-13

~~6-13-64~~
6-27-64

June 6, 1964

Mr. R. H. Haile
Fifth Congressional District VEP
Rutledge and Church Streets
Camden, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Haile:

We are returning your check of May 19, in the amount of $33.53 because it was apparently drawn on the wrong account. This is a legitimate VEP expense and you should have drawn it on your VEP bank account, using the voucher check. Please return a check in the same amount from the other bank account immediately.

My fiscal assistant has informed me that we have received no financial reporting from your project and that she had written you regarding this delinquency, with no reply. When I made the grant to your project originally you were sent complete instructions regarding financial reporting and if you will refer to these you will notice that we require weekly compliance. Please get your first financial report to us by return mail.

Sincerely yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:jl
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BRANCH OFFICE: BETHUNE, S. C.

May 29, 1964

JUN 2- 1964

Voter Education Project
Room 206
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Sir:

Please find enclosed a check for $33.53. I regret very much it has been delayed in getting to you, but it was in the hands of the Treasurer and just recently turned over to me.

Yours truly,

R. H. Haile

R. H. Haile.

Why didn't they use their ~~[illegible]~~ voucher check?

6-6-64

May 27, 1964

Mr. R. E. Haile
Fifth Congressional District VMP
Rutledge and Church Streets
Camden, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Haile:

On May 7, we wrote you requesting reimbursement to VMP for check imprinting done for your project in the amount of $33.33. May we please have your check for this amount.

May I also remind you of the fact that the instructions sent you for financial reporting call for weekly reporting from all project. We have not yet received any financial reporting from your project. Would you kindly begin financial reporting at once.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

Jean Levine
Fiscal Assistant

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May 7, 1964

Mr. R. H. Haile
Fifth Congressional District V.N.P.
Rutledge and Church Streets
Camden, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Haile:

We have received the invoice for your check imprinting and the cost is as follows:

300	Voucher checks	$32.33
	Sales Tax	.96
	Total	$33.33

Will you kindly reimburse us for the cost of these checks. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

Jean Levine
Fiscal Assistant

County-by-County Balloting in 5th

State, 6-10-64

Here is a county-by-county table of voting in Tuesday's Democratic primary in the 5th Congressional District as compiled by the Associated Press.

CONGRESS 5 REGULAR

County	PR	TP	Coleman	Gettys	Harvey	Hough
Cherokee	37	37	1,712	2,155	1,064	361
Chester	32	32	2,867	1,922	641	173
Chesterfield	25	31	974	1,044	766	329
Fairfield	18	21	1,664	153	228	24
Kershaw	38	38	579	942	387	395
Lancaster	27	47	1,340	1,285	356	223
Union	10	29	299	465	282	92
York	39	42	1,299	3,134	2,364	94
TOTAL	226	277	10,734	11,100	6,088	1,691

CONGRESS 5 SPECIAL

Cherokee	37	37	1,783	2,285	1,087	394
Chester	32	32	2,674	1,839	488	159
Chesterfield	25	31	973	1,019	746	332
Fairfield	18	21	1,675	159	215	24
Kershaw	38	38	560	967	362	396
Lancaster	23	47	1,139	1,005	255	181
Union	11	29	553	886	419	67
York	40	42	1,299	3,834	2,483	95
TOTALS	224	277	10,656	11,994	6,055	1,648

Key—PR—Precincts Reporting; TP—Total Precincts.

4-13

June 16, 1964

Mr. R. H. Baile
Fifth Congressional District
Voter Education Project
Rutledge and Church Streets
Camden, South Carolina

RE: VEP 4-13

Dear Mr. Baile:

Some time ago, we sent you a supply of forms to be used in reporting your activities. Subsequently, werreceived reports from Frank Robinson and Ed Brown using old reporting forms. In the future, we would appreciate receiving the reports on the forms which were forwarded to you.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Barbara I. Whitaker
Research Assistant

BIW:js

Box 1778 South Carolina
State College
Orangeburg, S. C.
June 30, 1964

Mr. R. H. Hail, Chairman
5th Congressional District V. E. P.
Hail Funeral Home
Camden, S. C.

Dear Mr. Hail:

It surprises us very much that you have not taken care of your promised share in the expenses of the state wide meeting held in Columbia May 30, 1964.

Upon your request we sent you a bill for $76.50 which represented your agreed upon share. Please let us hear from you at an early date.

We plan to call the state wide officials in session soon regarding the future of the V. E. P. in S. C.

Yours very truly,

C. H. Thomas, Jr.

C. H. Thomas, Jr.
State Chairman V. E. P.

CHT/pj

cc: Mr. R. T. Blackwell, Field Director
Rev. I. D. Newman

VEP 4-13

July 1, 1964

Mr. R. H. Haile, Chairman
Fifth Congressional District
Haile's Funeral Home
Camden, South Carolina

RE: VEP 4-13

Dear Mr. Haile:

This letter is intended to reply to your separate letters to Mrs. Whitaker and to me on June 20.

I thought that we had fully explained our position in my letter to you of May 1, but it appears that there has been no cooperation between you and Messrs. Robinson and Brown. It was our hope in making the grant to the Fifth Congressional District that you would run your program pretty much like the other districts and that you would have the services of Messrs. Robinson and Brown to do the leg work. This requires a spirit of cooperation on the part of all concerned and without attempting to assess the failure of cooperation, it means that Brown and Robinson will have to know that you want their help and you will have to know that they are willing to help.

The ideal situation would be one where you all are working so closely together that it would be only necessary to have one report prepared, but until such time as that kind of relationship is developed, then we must look to you as the chairman of the Fifth Congressional District for a separate report despite the fact that we are getting some reports on your district from Brown and Robinson.

We do not care where the reports are prepared as this is largely a matter of convenience, but we certainly agree that you should know what reports are being sent, and perhaps you could exchange reports with Brown and Robinson so that all of you will know what is taking place.

I agree that there is a need for some secretarial assistance in preparing the necessary reports, but this definitely does not require the service of a full-time secretary, and the question of how much time is involved is something that you will have to determine. Since your district operates pretty much under the same kind of program as the Sixth Congressional District, it probably would be helpful for you to check with Dr. Beck to see how he is running the Sixth Congressional District, as we think he is providing excellent leadership and direction for that VEP program.

The thing that stands out most vividly in our records is the fact that we have not received a single progress report or financial report from you and you have not explained or cleared up the matter of your failure to use the voucher checks which were printed especially for your project. I must tell you quite honestly that the status of the Fifth Congressional District program leaves much to be desired from where we stand. I have suggested to Mr. James McCain of CORE that perhaps it would be good if he could bring Messrs. Brown and Robinson to Camden to talk with you at a time which I might join in the discussion. He has informed me that he could possibly meet me there on Wednesday, July 8, but this is not yet definite and we will have to notify you later.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:bs

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BRANCH OFFICE: BETHUNE, S. C.

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June 20, 1964

Rec'd 6/23/64

Mr. Wiley A. Branton
Project Director
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton:

After receiving all forms from you concerning reports to be submitted weekly and monthly and having received from Mrs. Whitaker a letter concerning recent reports submitted by Messrs. Robinson and Brown, I feel that in order that the reports reach you on time and in proper order, the following items need clarification:

1. Are Messrs. Robinson and Brown expected to secure their reporting forms through my office?

2. Are they expected to compile Voter Education statistics from the various counties here in this office so that I may be aware of what is happening in the counties and what their reports will include?

3. If this is not standard procedure, do you not think that this would prove invaluable to me in preparing the monthly report? Or am I to allow the field workers to make the monthly report?

I wrote to you some time ago stating that the appointed gentlemen had seemingly no interest in VEP in this area. Imagine my surprise when Mrs. Whitaker informed me that the reports had been filed on old forms when I had no idea that they were actually working in the counties.

Mrs. Mary Martin from Winnsboro, South Carolina, who is the secretary of the Fifth District finds that she is unable to perform all of the duties as secretary. At the outset when we were organizing, we were not aware of the involved procedures and since we have been so informed, Mrs. Martin feels that this is too much for her. Would you object to my employing a full time secretary in my office to aid in doing the job well?

I shall appreciate an early reply.

Very truly yours,

R. H. Haile

R. H. Haile
Chairman

P. S. Is it possible to obtain a copy of the report that has been submitted?

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BRANCH OFFICE: BETHUNE, S. C.

June 20, 1964

JUN 23 1964

Mrs. Barbara I. Whitaker
Research Assistant
Voter Education Project
9 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Whitaker:

Your letter of June 16, stating that your office had received reports from Messers. Frank Robinson and Ed Brown concerning activities in the Fifth Congressional District, came as quite a surprise because I had no knowledge of the work they were doing or of the reports submitted. The fact that the reports were on old forms should indicate that they have not been working closely with us.

Please advise as to how we may remedy this situation in regard to the reports:

1. Are you expecting two (2) reports each month from both the field reporter and from my office?
2. Are the field reporters to work closely with my office in preparation of reports?

Any information you are able to forward will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

R. H. Haile

R. H. Haile
Chairman
Fifth Congressional District

VEP 4-13

July 3, 1964

Mr. R. H. Haile, Chairman
Fifth Congressional District VEP
c/o Haile's Funeral Home
Camden, South Carolina

Re: VEP 4-13

Dear Mr. Haile:

I have agreed to meet Mr. James McCain at your office on Wednesday, July 8, 1964 at 12:00 Noon. He will bring Messrs. Brown and Robinson with him.

It would be very helpful to me if you could arrange to have your organization's secretary and treasurer present and such other members of your executive board as you might be able to attend.

As I indicated in my letter of July 1, we have some very serious problems to iron out in order to assure the future progress of your congressional district program.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Brantpn

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July 27, 1964

Mr. R. H. Haile
Fifth Congressional District VEP
Rutledge and Church Streets
Camden, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Haile:

Re VEP 4-13

Thank you for your letter of July 24, in which you enclosed copies of the minutes of most of the meetings of the Fifth Congressional District and also some financial information. I have read the minutes of your various meetings, but have seen very little of actual details regarding voter registration activity. It would be of value to us if you could bring us up-to-date on the actual registration activity in your district and give us specific information regarding plans for registration during the month of August when the books should be open for several days in all of the counties.

We would also like to know whether all of the counties in your district have now been organized under VEP and would like an up-to-date list of the names and addresses of the key county officers in each county. We seem to have a lot of information for Kershaw County but very little for the other counties.

Let me again caution you that VEP must be operated on a non-partisan basis and no portion of the funds may be used to engage in partisan politics in any manner whatsoever.

We will follow your system of charging the direct grants to counties under Travel and Transportation but you should require each county to submit vouchers to you showing the exact nature of each disbursement. In the future will you please write on the voucher portion of the check the nature of the expenditure just as you did on check #0006.

Stateway to Council file before filing

You may write across the lines separating the columns on the voucher. Where checks are written in payment of invoices or statements then a copy of such information or statement should be attached to the VMP carbon of the check, and where payment is made for printing of any kind, a sample of the printed material should also be attached to our copy of the voucher.

As an aid for you and the Secretary or Treasurer in preparing future checks I am enclosing a suggestion sheet with an appropriate description for some of the checks which have already been written which might be used as a guide for future entries.

I do wish to compliment you for the excellent job which has been done on the preparation of the ledger sheet because it is very well done.

Sincerely yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:jl

P.S. The voucher forms which you requested are being sent you under separate cover.

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Suggestion Sheet

Check No. 0009

"Reimbursement for Check Printing"

Check No. 0010

"Reimbursement for cash expenditures as follows:
Printing $3.00 (attach invoice and sample of printing)
Supplies $1.15 (attach invoice)
Travel $20.45 (Field expense report o.k. here)
Telephone 9.42 (Attach statement or explanation)
Other 17.30 (Attach postal receipt)"

Check No. 0011

"For printing"(attach statement and sample)

Check No. 0012

"Salary $10.00 for secretarial work
Travel 27.44 (Field expense report o.k. here)"

Check No. 0013

"Travel expense for speaker"

Check No. 0014

"Salary (for what? Describe nature of work.)"

Rec'd 7/25/64

WB

5th Congressional District
Voter Education Project
C/O Haile's Funeral Home
Camden, South Carolina

Mr. Wiley A. Branton, Director
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3,
Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton:

Our reports from The Fifth Congressional District Voter Education Project are herewith submitted to your office. I had planned to have these items into your office by Wednesday of this week, however I was not able to get the members of our Executive Committee together during the early part of this week. This caused our reports to be delayed somewhat.

I think that we now understand the system of reporting required by your office, and we will bend every effort to get essential reports into your office as promptly as we can.

Please send us additional "VOUCHER FORMS" for use in our record keeping system.

Yours very truly,

R.H. Haile, Jr.

R.H. Haile, Jr.
Chairman

RHH:jmf

VEP 4-13

~~7-24-64~~
7-25-64

June 22, 1964

Mr. R. H. Haile
Fifth Congressional District VEP
Rutledge and Church Streets
Camden, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Haile:

Because of your failure to use the voucher checks as required by the Voter Education Project you are instructed not to write any more checks until this matter has been cleared up according to our telephone conversation of last week.

Please write us a complete letter of explanation as soon as this matter has been cleared up.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:jl

September 9, 1964

Mr. R. H. Haile, Chairman
Fifth Congressional District
c/o Haile's Funeral Home
Camden, South Carolina

RE: VEP 4-13

Dear Mr. Haile:

The Voter Education Project recently made a grant to the new South Carolina statewide program and arranged for the payment of bills from your congressional district to be paid through the state office. You are therefore requested to refund to VEP the balance remaining in your Fifth Congressional District treasury, which our records show to be approximately $222.90 as we have had no accounting from you since July.

We do not want to penalize those counties in your district where active registration programs are going on, and you should therefore submit all bills from such counties to Mr. Richard M. Miles who will arrange for the payment of same, but consistent with your prior budget limitation.

Will you please see to it that this check is sent to us at once in order that our financial records will be in order. Mr. Miles will not pay any bills for your district until we have notified him that the Fifth Congressional District account has been closed in a satisfactory manner.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:bs
cc: Mr. Richard Miles

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OCT 7 1964

FIFTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
Voter Education Project
Haile's Funeral Home
Camden, South Carolina

October 6, 1964

OCT 7 1964

Mr. Wiley A. Branton, Director
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3,
Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton:

I am submitting herewith our reports for the months of August and September, 1964.

You will note that our total expenditures to date are $997.97. This leaves a balance in Account Number 11-9560 at The Citizens and Southern National Bank of this City of $2.03. Voucher Number 0028 in said amount is herewith submitted for your concern.

I must state that we have had a most successful drive in our District, and I am presently waiting for final tabulations from Counties in our District for Voter Registrations through Saturday October 3, 1964. We have also made plans to affiliate with the newly organized S.C. VEP Drive, and will support it to our maximum degree.

Please photocopy for Peacock before filing

On behalf of the many citizens who have reaped the benefits of your organization's benevolence, and the countless number of workers who spent tireless and sometimes sacrifical hours in this great endeavor, I wish to say for them "SINCERE THANKS, and GRATEFUL APPRECIATION." I feel certain that our District and State will give an account of themselves in a positive way in days to come.

Yours very truly,

R.H. Haile, Jr.

R.H. Haile, Jr.
Chairman
5th Congressional District
South Carolina V. E. P.

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VEP 4-13

Financial copy

~~9-26-64~~
10-3-64

September 9, 1964

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Fifth Congressional District
c/o Haile's Funeral Home
Camden, South Carolina

RE: VEP 4-13

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Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:bs
cc: Mr. Richard Miles

WB

M E M O R :A N D U M October 17, 1964

File.

TO: Wiley A. Branton
FROM: Jean Levine
RE: Final Accounting on VEP 4-13 (5th Congress. District - So. Car.)

Grants:		$1000.00
Expenditures:		
Adv. Print. & Prom.	$99.42	
Off. Supplies	17.65	
Postage	54.44	
Salaries	202.11	
Tel & Tel	36.26	
Trav. & Trans.	588.09	
TOTAL		997.97
Balance		$ 2.03
Refunded to VEP		2.03

April 30, 1964

Mr. R. H. Haile, Chairman
Fifth Congressional District
Voter Education Project
Rutledge and Church Streets
Camden, South Carolina

RE: VEP 4-13

Dear Mr. Haile:

We are sending, under separate cover, a supply of research reporting forms. We request that you submit a report on each county in the Fifth Congressional District no later than the 10th of the each month, commencing on June 10. We believe the items on the forms to be self-explanatory, but feel free to question or make comments.

At the conclusion of your project, we will expect a comprehensive narrative report. The outline for this report is enclosed.

Let us know if we can be of assistance to you.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Barbara I. Whitaker
Research Assistant

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APR 29 1964

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

FORM VEP-2

Cdre
ORGANIZATION

L Robinson + E Brown
PERSON REPORTING

Period covered From 4-1st to 30th

17 Robinson St.
STREET ADDRESS

Cherokee, S.C.
CITY COUNTY STATE

Date Submitted: 4-23-64

Election District to which this report applies _____

Day of the month:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	
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*Persons of voting age

APR 29 1964

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

FORM VEP-2

Period covered

None	F. Robinson + E. Brown	From 7th st	to 30th st
ORGANIZATION	PERSON REPORTING		
12 Robinson St.	Chester, S.C.	Date Submitted: 4-23-64	
STREET ADDRESS	CITY / COUNTY STATE		

Election District to which this report applies _____

Day of the month:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	
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*Persons of voting age

APR 29 1964

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

FORM VEP-2

Period covered

Care — ORGANIZATION

T. Robinson + E Brown — PERSON REPORTING

From 4-1st to 30th

12 Robinson St. — STREET ADDRESS

Chesterfield — CITY

S.C. — STATE

Date Submitted: 4-23-64

Election District to which this report applies _____

Day of the month:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	
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*Persons of voting age

APR 29 1964

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

FORM VEP-2

Period covered

Care — ORGANIZATION

F. Robinson + E. Brown — PERSON REPORTING

From 4-1st to 30th

12 Robinson St. — STREET ADDRESS

Fairfield — CITY

S.C — COUNTY STATE

Date Submitted: 4-23-64

Election District to which this report applies _____

Day of the month:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31
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*Persons of voting age

APR 29 1964

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

FORM VEP-2

Period covered

Rare — ORGANIZATION

J. Robinson + E. Brown — PERSON REPORTING

From 4-1st to 30th

12 Robinson St. — STREET ADDRESS

Kershaw, S.C. — CITY COUNTY STATE

Date Submitted: 4-23-64

Election District to which this report applies _____

Day of the month:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	
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*Persons of voting age

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

FORM VEP-2

Period covered

APR 29 1964

None	L. Robinson + E. Brown	From April 1st to 31st
ORGANIZATION	PERSON REPORTING	
12 Robinson St.	Lancaster, S.C.	Date Submitted: 4-23-64
STREET ADDRESS	CITY COUNTY STATE	

Election District to which this report applies _____

Day of the month:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31
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*Persons of voting age

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Care
ORGANIZATION

S. Robinson + E. Brown
PERSON REPORTING

From 4, 1st to 30th

17 Robinson St.
STREET ADDRESS

Union S.C.
CITY COUNTY STATE

Date Submitted: 4-23-64

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Election District to which this report applies _____

Day of the month:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	
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ORGANIZATION	PERSON REPORTING	
12 Robinson St.	Clark S.C.	Date Submitted: 4-23-64
STREET ADDRESS	CITY COUNTY STATE	

Election District to which this report applies _____

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*Persons of voting age

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Period covered

Cou — ORGANIZATION

F. Robinson + E. Brown — PERSON REPORTING

From 4th to 9th

17 Robinson St. — STREET ADDRESS

Fairfield, S.C. — CITY COUNTY STATE

Date Submitted: 5-14-64

Election District to which this report applies _____

Day of the month:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	TOTAL
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*Persons of voting age

4/29/64

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Period covered

Cou — ORGANIZATION

F. Robinson + E. Brown — PERSON REPORTING

From 4 to 4

17 Robinson St. — STREET ADDRESS

Kershaw, S.C. — CITY / COUNTY / STATE

Date Submitted: 5-14-64

Election District to which this report applies _____

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*Persons of voting age

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Con — ORGANIZATION

F. Robinson + E Brown — PERSON REPORTING

From 4th to 9th

12 Robinson St. — STREET ADDRESS

Lancaster, S. C. — CITY COUNTY STATE

Date Submitted: 5-14-64

Election District to which this report applies _____

Day of the month:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	Total
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*Persons of voting age

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Robinson and Brown are still reporting on Sumter (2nd) and Spartanburg (4th). Could we have some decision on these counties?

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Care — ORGANIZATION

F. Robinson + E. Brown — PERSON REPORTING

From 1 th to 9 th

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17 Robinson St. — STREET ADDRESS

Union, S. C. — CITY COUNTY STATE

Date Submitted: 5-14-64

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Cow
ORGANIZATION

F. Robinson + E. Brown
PERSON REPORTING

From 4th to 9th

4/29/64

12 Robinson St.
STREET ADDRESS

Gooby S.C.
CITY COUNTY STATE

Date Submitted: 5-14-64

Election District to which this report applies _____

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Care — ORGANIZATION

F. Robinson + E. Brown — PERSON REPORTING

From 4th to 9th

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17 Robinson St. — STREET ADDRESS

Chesterfield, S.C. — CITY / COUNTY / STATE

Date Submitted: 3-14-64

Election District to which this report applies _____

Day of the month:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	
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*Persons of voting age

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Period covered

Care — ORGANIZATION

F. Robinson & E Brown — PERSON REPORTING

From 7th to 9th

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17 Robinson St. — STREET ADDRESS

Chester, S.C. — CITY COUNTY STATE

Date Submitted: 5-14-64

Election District to which this report applies _____

Day of the month:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	
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THE FIFTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

5/18/64

The Fifth Congressional District of South Carolina held it's fourth meeting at The Calvary Presbyterian Church of Winnsboro, South Carolina (Fairfield County) on May 18, 1964 at 7:30 P.M. The meeting was called to order by the Chairman Mr. R.H. Haile. The opening hymn "Jesus Keep Me Near The Cross" was led by our Chaplain Rev. Nathan F. Rabb. Next, the Lord's Prayer was prayed in unison and this was followed by the hymn "What A Friend We Have In Jesus." Rev. James H. Hudson, Pastor of The Calvary Presbyterian Church welcomed the Fifth District to it's sanctuary. The minutes of the last meeting were read by the Secretary. It was moved and properly seconded by The Rev. J.A. Curry and The Rev. N.F. Rabb that the minutes be received and adopted. Motion was carried. The Constitution was then read from beginning to end and the majority of it was approved by representatives present, with the exception of changes made in Article Five (V). This Section was changed to read as follows: The Officers of the Fifth Congressional District, and the Presidents of each County shall comprise the Executive Committee. The motion to effect this change was made by Rev. James H. Hudson and seconded by Mr. Elliott Harris. Motion carried. Other items in the Constitution were discussed as follows: Article VI. Section One (1): Election shall be held every January. Section Two (2) Approved. Section Three (3) Approved. Section Four (4)--Term of Office. Rev. J.A. Curry offered a substitute motion seconded by Rev. N.F. Rabb that the Officers may serve as long as the body desires them to serve. Motion was carried. It was moved by Rev. H.M. Wilson and seconded by Rev. J.A. Curry that we vote on the office of Coordinator. Motion was carried. Article VII. Rev. Wilson suggested that we have a fixed time to begin and close meetings. This suggestion was later placed in the form of a motion by Rev. Wilson and seconded by Rev. James H. Hudson.

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Motion was carried. Article VIII. Sections One, Two, Three, Four, and Five were received and adopted. However, Section Six (6) was changed to read thusly: The Treasurer shall receive all monies for the District, and pay all bills upon the order of the District Chairman. Said Officer shall keep accurate records of these receipts and disbursements and make a report of same at all meetings. It was moved by Rev. J.A. Curry and Seconded by Rev. James H. Hudson that Section Six (6) that had been amended along with Sub-section Six -a-; be received and adopted. Motion was carried. Sections Seven and Eight were approved. Rev. Hudson made a motion that the Constitution as a whole be received and adopted. This motion seconded by Rev. N.F. Rabb was carried by the body.

Mrs. Florence Starks of Winnsboro, South Carolina was elected Treasurer for The Fifth Congressional District Voter Registration Project, following the untimely resignation of Mr. William Lyles. Mrs. M.E. Martin made a motion that all monies taken up during District Meetings be deposited in The Bank of Fairfield at Winnsboro, South Carolina. This motion seconded by Rev. N.F. Rabb was carried by the body. The next meeting of The Fifth Congressional District is scheduled for Lancaster, South Carolina (Lancaster County) June 15, 1964 at The A.M.E. Zion Church, Rev. C.M. Smith, Pastor. Collection this meeting---$12.10 Total collected todate---$65.80 An order was presented by The Chairman for payment of the following bills:

a) To Mr. R.H. Haile----------	$94.96
b) To Mrs. M.E. Martin---------	60.11
c) To Fairfield County---------	100.00
d) To Kershaw County----------	100.00
e) To V.E.P. (Atlanta,Ga.)----	33.53
Total Disbursed------	$398.60

The group sang "We Shall Overcome" after which Rev. J.A. Curry dismissed same with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

R.H. Haile, Chairman

(Mrs.) M.E. Martin, Secretary

Recd 7/25/64

THE FIFTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

4/24/64

The Executive Officers of The Fifth Congressional District of South Carolina met in Camden, South Carolina (Kershaw County) at The Trinity Methodist Church April 24, 1964. The Chairman announced that we are to have the services of Messers Robinson and Brown of "CORE" as Coordinators for the Fifth Congressional District. These men will work all seven (7) Counties in the District. The Chairman also announced that The Fifth Congressional District received a check for $1,000 from The Voter Education Project Headquarters Office in Atlanta, Georgia; and that this money is to be used specifically for Voter Education and Registration in The Fifth District only. The Executive Committee after thoroughly discussing the financial grant decided to allocate each County in The District the sum of one-hundred dollars, and leave the balance of three-hundred dollars in the treasury for use in The Fifth District for administrative and field work. It was further stipulated that no funds would be paid to Counties until they had completed their organizational pattern according to Voter Registration principles. Mr. Robinson of "CORE" stated that the thing we must do now is to organize each County that has not been organized and determine the best method (s) of getting the big job of Voter Registration done. Mr. Brown of "CORE" stated that Kingstree, S.C. is one of the best organized communities in the State of South Carolina. He further mentioned that in Rock Hill, South Carolina (York County), he used students most effectively in helping get people registered. He further stated that these students were more able to get the work done than most adults. Rev. James H. Hudson raised the question of possible conflict between "CORE" and the "N.A.A.C.P" in connection with our Voter Registration Drive. Mr. Robinson of "CORE" assured Rev. Hudson and the Committee that there would not be any conflict between these two groups; for they would work

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together hand in hand just as Presbyterians and Baptist's do for example. He emphasized the fact that all organizations and institutions, clubs etc., must work together towards getting our people on the registration books in large numbers in South Carolina.

The Chairman expressed thanks to all who had come and contributed towards the success of the meeting. Meeting was then adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

R.H. Haile, Chairman

(Mrs.)M.E. Martin, Secterary

Rec'd 7/25/64

FIFTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

4/20/64

The Fifth Congressional District held it's third meeting at The Rock Grove Baptist Church April 20, 1964, Rock Hill, South Carolina. (York County) The meeting was called to order by the Chairman Mr. R. H. Haile. The hymn "Jesus Keep Me Near The Cross" was sung. The 27th Psalms was read by Rev. James H. Hudson. Prayer by Rev. C.M. Smith followed. Welcome remarks were made by The Rev. W.R. Jones, Pastor of the host Church and Rev. J.S. Gadsden of Camden gave the response to the words of welcome. Minutes of the last meeting were read by the Secretary. Rev. R.G. Teatley made a motion which was seconded by Rev. Jones that the minutes be received and adopted. Motion carried. Mr. Haile made some interesting remarks at this point. He mentioned that Mr. Robert W. Hemphill, Congressman from The Fifth Congressional District would be up for appointment as a Federal Judge this year, and challenged the District to begin thinking of a good man to succeed him from our District. The Chairman then asked representatives from each County present to stand. There were twenty-four (24) from York County; Six (6) from Fairfield County; One (1) from Lancaster County; and Eleven (11) from Kershaw County. Reports were then given from these Counties present. The Rev. C.M. Smith told about conditions in Lancaster County. They had organized prior to this meeting and had appointed The Rev. S.M. Smith as their County Chairman of Voter Registration. Rev. Smith stated that they were beginning a vigorous drive in Lancaster County for additional persons on the registration books. He also invited the District to hold it's June Meeting in Lancaster in June. (invitation was accepted) Fairfield Counties report was made by Mrs. M.E. Martin. They have completed their organization at the County level since the meeting in Kershaw County. They further reported that

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some positive work had been accomplished in Fairfield County since the meeting in Kershaw County. Fairfield reported a total of 1,430 registrants through March 1, 1964. Rev. R.G. Teatley gave the report for York County. He reported that York County is organized and that a total of 2,500 are registered to date. He reported further that York County has three (3) persons seeking admittance to Winthrop College in Rock Hill, South Carolina and eleven (11) children from elementary schools of York County seeking transfers to all white schools. Kershaw Counties report was given by Rev. J.A. Curry, County Chairman of Voter Registration. Rev. Curry reported that not only had their County organized, but they had gone ahead and organized nine (9) of the Voting Precincts in the County. He also stated that they had checked the County Registration books recently and had noted that several of their teachers were not registered citizens. He reported a total of 1,800 registered in Kershaw County to date.

Following reports from Counties present, the proposed Constitution was reviewed and studied. It was moved by Rev. J.A. Curry and seconded by Rev. James H. Hudson that the Constitution be our first item of business at our next meeting in May. Motion was carried. Mr. David G. Belton then made some very inspiring remarks concerning progressive Voter Registration work in Fairfield County. Mrs. Lucille Vaughn made important remarks concerning her work in Camden, South Carolina with Voter Registration. We were invited to meet next in Winnsboro, South Carolina (Fairfield County) at Calvary Presbyterian Church on May 18, 1964. Invitation was accepted. Collection this meeting----$20.90 Meeting was closed with "We Shall Overcome" followed by prayer and benediction offered by Rev. George Clark.

Respectfully submitted,

R.H. Haile, Chairman

(Mrs.) M.E. Martin, Secretary

Rec'd 7/25/64

THE FIFTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

4/16/64

The Executive Officers of The Fifth Congressional District of South Carolina met April 16, 1964 at The Calvary Presbyterian Church (Fairfield County) of Winnsboro, South Carolina.

Purpose of meeting was to draft a Constitution for The Fifth Congressional District, and outline a program for the next District Meeting scheduled in (York County) Rock Hill, South Carolina. After much deliberation and thoughtful planning, a rough draft of a proposed Constitution was drafted and approved by the Committee. It is to be presented at the Rock Hill Meeting.

Suggested agenda for next meeting is as follows:

a) Prayer and scripture
b) Minutes of last meeting
c) Discussion of the activities in each County
d) Review of proposed Constitution
e) Offering and adjournment

Meeting adjourned following completion of proposed items.

Respectfully submitted,

R.H. Haile, Chairman

(Mrs.) Mary E. Martin , Secretary

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THE FIFTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

3/16/64

The Fifth Congressional District held it's second meeting at The Trinity Methodist Church (Kershaw County) of Camden, South Carolina on March 16, 1964. The meeting was called to order by the Chairman Mr. R.H. Haile. "Jesus Keep Me Near The Cross" led by Chaplain N.F. Rabb was sung and prayer followed by Rev. R.G. Teatley. Minutes of the last meeting were read by the Secretary. Rev. Gadsden made a motion which was seconded by Mr. R. Rutherford that the minutes be received and adopted. Motion carried. The Chairman then asked members from each County in The District to stand. Only three (3) Counties were represented: Fairfield, York, and Kershaw. Counties having no representatives were Chester, Chesterfield, Cherokee and Lancaster. The Chairman expressed the wish that those in attendance from various Counties go back and organize their respective County into Voter Registration Units. Representatives were further asked to get a County Coordinator, and said Coordinator would have the responsibility of visiting each Precinct in their County and offering such assistance as they may need in their organizational pattern and planned program of action. It was further suggested that these County Coordinators visit other Counties in the Fifth District with the expressed purpose of gathering new ideas, and noting what is going on in their sister Counties. Mr. J.M. Francis made a motion that the Counties having representatives present return to their Counties and organize them into Voter Registration and Voter Education Units. Motion was seconded by The Rev. James H. Hudson and carried by the body. Kershaw County representatives at this meeting set the 30th of March as the date they would organize their County. This was properly moved by Rev. Gadsden and seconded by Rev. Warren. Motion was carried by Kershaw County Representatives. Rev. J.A. Curry invited the Kershaw County group to Mt. Moriah Baptist Church at 7:30 P.M. on the

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scheduled date of meeting. The Chairman then asked persons present to submit names of influential persons in Counties not present who could be contacted concerning The Fifth District Voter Registration Drive before leaving the Church. Rock Grove A.M.E.Z. Church (York County) of Rock Hill, South Carolina invited the District to meet with them in their next meeting by it's Pastor The Rev. W.R. Jones. The invitation was accepted. Collected at this meeting---$18.75 The meeting was closed with the hymn "Bless Be The Tie That Binds."

Respectfully submitted,

R.H. Haile, Chairman

(Mrs.)M.E. Martin, Secretary

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THE FIFTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

The Fifth Congressional District met at The St. Paul Baptist Church, Winnsboro, South Carolina, February 17, 1964 at 7:30 P.M. The meeting was called to order by the temporary chairman Mr. R.E. Haile of Camden, South Carolina. "In The Cross" was lead by Rev. N.F. Rabb. The 27th Psalms was read by Mr. D.G. Belton. Prayer was offered by Rev. James H. Hudson. The hymn "What A Friend We Have In Jesus" followed. Mr. Haile then made some very interesting remarks concerning the impertance of registering and voting. He also announced that he was running as a candidate for a seat on The City Council of Camden, South Carolina, and votes are what he needs most in the coming election. Highlights of the meeting stressing the impertance of Voter Registration in South Carolina, held in Columbia, South Carolina at Faith Hall-Allen University on the 26th of January, 1964 were given. Rev. J.H. Hudson offered a motion that the report be received as information. This was seconded by Rev. G.M. Wilson. The motion carried. The house was then opened for the election of District Officers by the Rev. N.F. Rabb, Presiding Chairman. The following Officers were elected:

Mr. Richard H. Haile, Chairman
Rev. James H. Hudson, Vice Chairman
Mrs. Mary E. Martin, Secretary
Rev. J.S. Gadsden, Assistant Secretary
Mr. William Lyles, Treasurer
Rev. Nathan F. Rabb, Chaplain

These officers were installed by The Rev. J.A. Curry, Pastor of Mt. Moriah Baptist Church, Camden, South Carolina. Rev. Hudson made a motion which was seconded by Mr. Wilford that we met in Kershaw County, Camden, South Carolina at Trinity Methodist Church on DeKalb Street, March 16, 1964. Motion carried. Rev. Wilson made a motion which was seconded by Rev. Gadsden that we meet once monthly. Motion carried. Rev. H.A. Alexander suggested that we have some one from each County in the District

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bring in a report of the number of persons registering the previous month to each District Meeting. Mr. D.G. Belton suggested that each precinct establish some type of record form and record keeping system. He further suggested that we trade more with our Negro Businessmen so that our money may stay with us a little longer. The following two (2) Counties were present at this meeting: Fairfield and Kershaw. Total collected at this meeting--$14.15 Rev. Wilson gave the closing prayer which was followed by the hymn "Bless Be The Tie That Binds."

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. R.H. Haile, Chairman

Mrs. Mary E. Martin, Secretary

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KERSHAW COUNTY BOARD OF REGISTRATION

COURTHOUSE

CAMDEN, SOUTH CAROLINA.

As of May 29, 1964

Precinct	White	Negro	Total
1 - Abney	36	0	36
2 - Antioch	205	18	223
3 - Bethune	611	29	640
4 - Blaney	494	87	581
5 - Buffalo	277	4	281
6 - Camden #1	333	272	605
7 - Camden #2	556	112	668
8 - Camden #3	669	85	754
9 - Camden #4	662	137	799
10 - Camden #5	720	322	1042
11 - Camden #6	258	0	258
12 - Cassatt	150	30	180
13 - Charlotte Thomp.	145	91	236
14 - Doby's Mill	76	8	84
15 - Gates Ford	96	0	96
16 - Harmony	33	7	40
17 - He rmitage	298	0	298
18 - Kershaw	769	28	797
19 - Liberty Hill	61	56	117
20 - Lockhart	69	2	71
21 - Lugoff	639	102	741
22 - Mt. Zion	39	35	774
23 - Ned's Creek	53	0	53
24 - Oakland	23	2	25
25 - Pine Tree	95	47	142
26 - Rabon's X RDS.	189	90	279
27 - Railey's Mill	105	0	105
28 - Roland	31	0	31
29 - Salt Pond	130	89	219
30 - Sandy Grove	51	3	54
31 - Shamrock	50	21	71
32 - Shaylor's Mill	43	77	120
33 - Swift Creek	54	6	60
34 - Three C's	203	8	211
35 - Twenty Creek	124	31	155
36 - Wateree	803	11	814
37 - Westville	222	44	266
38 - Whites Gardens	586	69	655

White ----- 9,958
Negro ----- 1,923
Totals ----11,881

CONSTITUTION

Adopted 7/25/64

We the citizens of the Fifth Congressional District of the State of South Carolina, comprising the Counties of Chester, Cherokee, Fairfield, Chesterfield, Kershaw, Lancaster, and York do hereby bind ourselves together to promote Civic Education Activities and to abide by the Constitution. (THIS CONSTITUTION)

ARTICLE I - Name

Section 1. This organization shall be The Fifth Congressional Voter Registration District of South Carolina.

ARTICLE II - Objectives

Section 1. The aims of this District shall be:

a) To improve it's citizens in the area of Voter Registration.
b) To register every qualified citizen in the District
c) To educate it's citizens on the importance of VOTING in all elections
d) To solicit and promote public interest and sympathy in furthering the cause of VOTER REGISTRATION
e) To raise the standard of all citizens in this District politically, and economically
f) To develop better social and political re lations and human understanding.

ARTICLE III - Membership

Section 1. All members shall be residents of one of the Counties comprising the 5th Congressional District of South Carolina.

Section 2. The duly elected officers: President, Vice President, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Coordinator, Treasurer, and Chaplain of the District organization together with officers holding the same offices in each County, and one member at large from The District, and two (2) from each of the seven counties.

ARTICLE IV - Officers

Section 1. Officers shall be:

a) President
b) Vice-President
c) Coordinator
d) Secretary
e) Assistant Secretary
f) Treasurer
g) Chaplain

ARTICLE V - Committees

Section 1. The Executive Committee shall be composed of Fifth District Officers and Presidents of County Voter Registration Councils, plus two (2) persons at large from each of the seven Counties in the District.

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ARTICLE V - Committees

Section 2. Standing Committees:

a) Public Relations
b) Time & Place (temporary)
c) Constitution (temporary)
d) Voter Education or Literacy
e) Others where needed

ARTICLE VI - Election

Section 1. Election shall be held every _____
Section 2. Election shall be by popular vote of members present
Section 3. Nominations shall be made from the floor
Section 4. Term of Office: Executive Committeeman shall serve _____ _____. County Presidents or Chairmen shall serve _____ _____. Executive Committeeman and Presidents may not (may) immediately succeed themselves in office. The Coordinator shall serve _____

ARTICLE VII - Meetings

Section 1. There shall be one regular meeting per month alternating from one County to the other.

a) Call meetings may be held at the discretion of the President or a majority of the members of the Executive Committee. (eight days notice must be given prior to said meeting)

ARTICLE VIII - Duties

Section 1. District Executive Committeeman along with Presidents of County Voter Registration Councils shall coordinate the activities of the District and the Counties. The District President shall serve as Chairman of the Executive Committee of the District.

Section 2. The District President shall preside over the District Voter Registration meetings, appoint and outline duties of the Standing Committees or other Committees.

Section 3. The Vice-President shall serve in absence of the District President when so designated.

Section 4. The Secretary shall keep accurate record of proceedings of the District Meetings, and The Executive Committee Meetings, and report same at the proper time.

Section 5. The Assistance Secretary shall serve in absence of the Secretary.

Section 6. The Treasurer shall receive all monies for The District and pay all bills upon written order of the District President and (or) Coordinator. Keep accurate record of receipts and disbursements, and make report of same at each meeting.

FIFTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT VOTER REGISTRATION CONSTITUTION Contd.

a) Funds secured from the Regional Office shall be disbursed by the District Organization to the County Organizations as they have need for, and on scrutiny of the progress being made in the particular County.

Section 7. The Chaplain will direct the spiritual emphasis of all meetings, and open and close same with prayer.

Section 8. The Coordinator shall _____

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ARTICLE IX - Rules of Order

Section 1. This organization shall be governed by Roberts Rules of Order Revised.

ARTICLE X - Amendments

This constitution shall be amended by a vote of 2/3 members present during _____ meeting except during election year, providing amendment is presented in writing at previous meeting.

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VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

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CORE
ORGANIZATION

William E. Brown
PERSON REPORTING

Period covered
From 8-1 to 8-15-'64

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STREET ADDRESS

Winnsboro, Fairfield S.C.
CITY COUNTY STATE

Date Submitted 8/20/'64

Election District to which this report applies 5th Congressional Dist.

Day of the month:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
No* contacted by door-to-door canvass	–	–	30	40	0	–	–	–		20	–	–	–	–	–														
No* contacted by other means (specify means)	–	–	0	Beauty Shop 6	0	–	–	–		0	–	–	–	–	–														
No* refusing to participate	–	–	1	3	1	–	–	–		3	–	–	–	–	–														
No* instructed at clinics	–	–	0	0	–	–	–	–		0	–	–	–	–	–														
No* instructed at other places (specify place)	–	–	4 Beauty Shop	8 Barber Shop	–	–	–	–		6 Barber Shop	–	–	–	–	–														
No* applying for registration as a result of this program	–	–	57	29	14	21	14	17		13	3	5	15	8	10		207												
No* successfully registered by this project	–	–	52	26	12	21	14	15		13	3	5	11	8	10		190												
No* denied registration in this project	–	–	5	3	2	0	0	2		0	0	0	4	0	0		16												

* Persons of voting age

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VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

FORM VEP-2

CORE
ORGANIZATION

William E. Brown
PERSON REPORTING

Period covered
From 8-6 to 8-15-'64

325 W. Bartlette St
STREET ADDRESS

Rockhill York S.C.
CITY COUNTY STATE

Date Submitted 8-20-'64

Election District to which this report applies 5th Congressional Dist

Day of the month:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9 Sunday	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
No* contacted by door-to-door canvass						1	1	–		–	110	130	–	–	–													–	
No* contacted by other means (specify means)						Shops 1	–	–		–	8 Shopping Stores	30 Stores	–	–	–													–	
No* refusing to participate						–	–	–		–	1	2	–	–	–													–	
No* instructed at clinics						–	–	–		–	–	0	–	–	–													–	
No* instructed at other places (specify place)						–	–	–		–	–	–	–	–	–														
No* applying for registration as a result of this program						–	–	–		–	–	–	63	33	47	143													
No* successfully registered by this project						–	–	–		–	–	–	60	31	43	134													
No* denied registration in this project						–	–	–		–	–	–	3	2	4	9													

* Persons of voting age

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VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

FORM VEP-2

CORE
ORGANIZATION

William E. Brown
PERSON REPORTING

Period covered
From 8-7 to 8-15-'64

325 W. Bartlette St
STREET ADDRESS

Gaffney, Cherokee S.C.
CITY COUNTY STATE

Date Submitted 8-20-'64

Election District to which this report applies 5th Congressional Dist

Day of the month:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9 (Sunday)	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
No* contacted by door-to-door canvass							3	–		–	–	–	–	–	–														
No* contacted by other means (specify means)							–	–		–	–	–	Business Store Face	–	–														
No* refusing to participate							0	–		–	–	–	–	–	–														
No* instructed at clinics							0	–		–	–	–	–	–	–														
No* instructed at other places (specify place)							0	–		–	–	–	–	–	–														
No* applying for registration as a result of this program							–	–		–	–	–	–	–	19														
No* successfully registered by this project							–	–		–	–	–	–	9	16	25													
No* denied registration in this project							–	–		–	–	–	–	–	3														

* Persons of voting age

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Books closed on this 8 on account of Senate election on Sept. 8.

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

FORM VEP-2

CORE
ORGANIZATION

William E. Brown
PERSON REPORTING

Period covered
From 8-3 to 8-8-'64

325 W. Bartlette St.
STREET ADDRESS

Chester, Chester S.C.
CITY COUNTY STATE

Date Submitted 8-20/'64

Election District to which this report applies 5th Congressional Dist.

Day of the month:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
No* contacted by door-to-door canvass			4	–	28	–	–	–																					
No* contacted by other means (specify means)			–	–	0	–	–	–																					
No* refusing to participate			–	–	0	–	–	–																					
No* instructed at clinics			–	–	0	–	–	–																					
No* instructed at other places (specify place)			–	–	0	–	–	–																					
No* applying for registration as a result of this program			–	–	29	40	47	31																					
No* successfully registered by this project			61	49	23	37	42	30	242																				
No* denied registration in this project			–	–	3	3	5	1	12																				

* Persons of voting age

THE FIFTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

The Fifth Congressional District of South Carolina held it's seventh regular monthly meeting at the Trinity Methodist Church of Camden, S.C. on August 24, 1964. Meeting opened, with the hymn "We Are Climbing Jacob's Ladder" followed by prayer by Rev. James H. Hudson. The Chairman Mr. Haile then made timely remarks concerning the Democratic Convention in Atlantic City, New Jersey, and culminated his remarks in this area with the statement that registration books in Kershaw County would be open for four weeks and all eligible persons should register during this period in order to be prepared for casting votes for the Candidate of their choice in the Presidential election in November, 1964. The Chairman then mentioned the importance of persons who property was valued at $300.00 or above using their tax certificates from last year to qualify for registration certificates. He stressed that this was most important to those persons who were unable to read and write adequately, and he stressed the fact that there are countless persons in the other ethnic group who also cannot read and write; and therefore our people should not feel ashamed of their inability to read and write but should grasp every opportunity to do something posivite to assure that future generations would not be hampered by this problem. He further stressed the importance of property owners getting their property re-assessed on January 1, 1965 for a minimum of $300.00 so that said persons could alqualify for registration certificates in our State. Chairman then mentioned the Chairman of all Congressional Districts in South Carolina and the able State V.E.P. Chairman Dr. C.H. Thomas of Orangeburg, S.C. He stressed that it was the desire of all Congressional Chairman that S.C. continue with this big job of getting our people registered after V.E.P. funds were exhausted from the Atlanta office of V.E.P. and that plans were in the making for such continuance, and we must go on until the job

is complete and the victory won in the area of Negro Voter Registration and Education in our State. The following persons in the audience emphasized that we should continue with V.E.P. in South Carolina: Mr. David Kelly, Mrs. Florence Starks, and Mr. J.M. Francis, Principal of St. Matthew School, Camden, S.C. Mr. Francis stated that all of his teachers and adult employees at St. Matthew School are registered voters, and if persons responsible for employment of others would begin requiring their employees to register and vote as some of our large labor unions are currently doing in America, the job would soon be completed in our State and Nation. Mr. Cook also remarked to the effect that his father always told him to stand up for his rights, and a "man" should be a "man" at all times, He felt that we should by all means continue a V.E.P. Drive in our District and State. The Rev. J.A. Curry moved that the Fifth Congressional District of V.E.P. continue to support the state plans for continuance of V.E.P. Motion was properly seconded by Mr. F.B. Drakeford and carried by the body. The Chairman thanked the District for endorsing the idea of a continuance of the good work of V.E.P. in South Carolina, and mentioned the thousands of persons throughout our State who had been added to the rolls of registration as a result of V.E.P.'s efforts. He further indicated that a new State V.E.P. Office is being set up in the old N.A.A.C.P. Building by Rev. I. DeQuincy Newman for the V.E.P. Headquarters for South Carolina. Public collection amounted to $14.20.

Meeting closed with "Bless Be The Tie That Binds" followed by the Benediction by Rev. J.A. Curry. Next meeting is scheduled for September 21, 1964 at Calvary Presbyterian Church of Winnsboro, South Carolina.

Mr.R.H. Haile, Chairman

Mrs. Mary E. Martin, Sect.

THE FIFTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

7/29/64

An interested group of citizens of Chesterfield County met at The Grandview Presbyterian Church of Chesterfield, SouthCarolina on July 29, 1964. The meeting was called to order by Mr. R.H. Haile, Chairman of The Fifth Congressional Voter Education Project in South Carolina. An opening song "Climbing Jacob's Ladder" was sung followed by Prayer by Rev. James A. Curry of Camden, S.C.

Mr. Haile gave valuable background information concerning the V.E.P. Drive in the eleven southern states. He explained that philanthropic groups, realizing the exploitation of Negro rights, established a fund to help our people become aware of a means of eradicating this exploitation through registering and voting, and thus said fund was set up in Atlanta, Georgia for these several southern states. He further stated that this V.E.P. Organization was non-partisan, and is specifically designed to help get our people registered and voting in the south land in large numbers.

The purpose of meeting is to organize Chesterfield County into a V.E.P. Organization so that all citizens can work together in getting all people within the County registered to vote. It was further stressed that all potential voters should be aligned with this organization as a composite group if we are to get better things in Chesterfield County and throughout the state of South Carolina. Chairman Haile further stressed that these things could best obtained through the ballot box.

Before the election of officers, Mr. Haile introduced visitors who are giving of their time and service in this effort. They included Rev. J.A. Curry, Chairman of The Kershaw County V.E.P. who brought remarks concerning the work in Kershaw County; Mr. James M. Francis, Principal of St. Matthew Elementary School of Kershaw County and Precinct Chairman of Number Five Voting Precinct explained how they organized

their Precinct with Street and Road Captains who were responsible for contacting all persons on their street or road. He mentioned that Precinct Number 5 is the leading Precinct in Kershaw County having placed the highest Number of Negroes on the ballot list of any other Precinct. Mr. McCollom, Assistant Principal of St. Matthew School, Camden, South Carolina and Precinct Chairman of Whites Gardens in Kershaw County explained his work with the V.E.P. in his Precinct, and noted that as persons in his Precinct Register, they record names and certificate numbers in order to keep an up-to-date record.

The Chairman Mr. Haile then yielded the floor to Mr. Alvin Arnold for some remarks prior to opening the house for the election of Officers for the Chesterfield County V.E.P. Drive. Mr. Arnold asked the group to think soberly in choosing officers. He mentioned that if in the various communities there are organizations already operating of this type, then this organization is not to place the place of these organizations but will serve to supplement the efforts of that organization. He read and stressed portions from the Constitution of V.E.P. of The Fifth District setting forth the aims of V.E.P. He then challenged the group to stick to the aims and purposes of V.E.P. as outlined in said constitution.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

The temporary chairman asked how officers should be elected. Mr. Blassengale made a motion that officers be elected by acclamation. This was properly seconded and passed by the body.

Nominees for President or Chairman: Mr. J.E. McCall (who declined)
Mr. Alvin Arnold (who declined)
Rev. J.L. Moore

A motion was made by Atty. McCall and properly seconded that The Rev. Mr. Moore be the unanimous choice of the house. Motion carried.

Nominee for Vice-Chairman: Mr. C.C. Cole and Atty. J.E. McCall. The latter declined and motioned that Mr. Cole be the unanimous choice of the house. Motion carried.

Nominee for Coordinator: Mr. Larrie J. Foster---Mr. Foster asked if that job or office were a necessary one or could the Chairman act as coordinator? Very favorable remarks were made by Mr. C.C. Cole, Mr. Arnold, and Rev. Mr. Moore concerning the importance of the job of coordinator. Mr. Foster then said he would accept the nomination if the house wanted him. He then became the unanimous choice of the house.

Nominee for Secretary: Mrs. Georgia Blakeney---Mr. Foster made a motion that Mrs. Blakeney become the unanimous choice of the house. This was seconded and passed by the body.

Nominee for Asst. Secretary: Mrs. Hattie Fleming---A motion was made by Mr. Blassengale that Mrs. Fleming become the unanimous choice of the house. This was seconded and passed by the body.

Nominee for Treasurer: Mrs. Georgia Blakeney----Mr. Haile explained that since Mrs. Blakeney had already been elected to one office, probably someone else should fill this office.

Mrs. L.P. Hillian was then nominated. Mrs. Hillian became the unanimous choice of the house.

Nominee for Chaplain: Mr. H.A. Blansengale (who declined)
Mr. Becken (who declined)
Mr. Richard Aldridge
Mr. Leak

Mr. Aldridge was elected on a count or show of hands vote over Mr. Leak.

Mr. Haile then congratulated the newly elected officers and presented a check in the amount of $100.00 to the newly elected Chairman The Rev. J. L. Moore of The Chesterfield County V.E.P. Unit. He explained that an accounting is to be made to The Fifth District Headquarters regarding the expenditure of funds in Chesterfield County. He further stressed that these funds were only to be used in helping the V.E.P. Drive in Chesterfield County. Finally District Chairman Haile explained that V.E.P. as far as finance is concerned closes October 1, 1964, and that a committee is now studying and formulating plans for the continuance of V.E.P. in South Carolina after October 1, 1964.

A discussion was held on ways and means of getting the money into

circulation as soon as possible in view of the fact that books in Chesterfield County would be open on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday of next week. Mr. Haile explained that three signatures were required on checks disbursed. Mr. Moore suggested that an executive committee of Presidents of all organizations be formed. Mr. C.C. Cole agreed in remarks made. Mr. Foster suggested that there be a key person in each community to certify that a person has transported people to register or has performed some service connected with registering persons for which he should be paid. Mr. Blakeney said that in Pageland, they pay all bills submitted at regular meetings, and if we could adopt a similar policy, there would be no immediate need for having signatures certified by Monday. Mr. C.C. Cole motioned that Rev. Moore be given power to spend the money and get people to register on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday of next week. This motion did not carry. It was finally decided to get key people in each community to certify the organization's indebtedness to individuals who have incurred expenses in getting people registered. These people are as follows:

Mr. Richard Blakeney--Pageland
Mr. Richard Aldridge--McBee
Mr. C.C. Cole---------Cheraw
Mr. Beckmen----------Jefferson
Mr. James Rivers------Chesterfield
Mr. L.P. Hillian-----Pleasant Grove
Mrs. Hattie Fleming---Bethesda
Mr. Wilbur Johnson----Winze

It was agreed that any additional officers or appointees be elected at the next regular meeting.

Amount collected from audience----$12.25 The next meeting to be held Thursday August 6, 1964. Meeting closed with "Blest Be The Tie That Binds" followed by Benediction by Rev. J.L. Moore.

Mr. R.H. Haile, Temporary Chm.
Mrs. Larrie J. Foster, Temp. Sect.

THE FIFTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

7/20/64

The Fifth Congressional District of South Carolina held it's sixth meeting on July 20, 1964 at the 2nd United Presbyterian Church of Fageland, South Carolina. Meeting was opened by the Chairman Mr. R.H. Haile and words of welcome were given by Rev. J.L. Moore, Pastor of the Church. Rev. Moore in his welcome remarks stated that we have over 11,000 Negroes on the registration books in seven southern states. Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved, and the main speaker of the evening Mr. Billie Flemming, Chairman of The 1st Congressional District of South Carolina was introduced by Chairman Haile. The speaker stated to a large and enthusiastic audience that when President L.B. Johnson signed the new Civil Rights Bill, all Negroes were given a new birth of freedom. He then proceeded to advise, urge, and challenge our people to take advantage of this new freedom by preparing their children for real democracy in tomorrow's world, and ourselves for justice and equality in today's world. He further stated that this could best be accomplished by every eligible Negro registering and voting in all local, state, special and National Elections. He warned that he personally was somewhat afraid for President Johnson because he has had one heart attack already, and possibly by September of 1964, the added strain may cause another such attack. The speakers message was enthusiastically received and he was thunderously applauded at the conclusion of same. Mr. Kelly of Kershaw County asked Mr. Flemming to explain the working of The John Birch Society. The speaker thoroughly explored this question and gave much information to the large audience concerning same. Chesterfield County temporarily organized at the conclusion of this meeting and Mr. Alvin Arnold was appointed temporary chairman. Next meeting to be held at Trinity Methodist Church of Camden, S.C. (Public Collection--$25.00) Meeting closed with Hymn "Bless Be The Tie That Binds" followed by Benediction by Rev. J.D. McManus.

THE FIFTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

6/15/64

The Fifth Congressional District of South Carolina held it's fifth meeting at The Mt. Zion A.M.E.Z. Church in Lancaster, South Carolina on June 15, 1964. Meeting was called to order by the District Chairman Mr. R.H. Haile. An opening Hymn "We Are Climbing Jacob's Ladder" was sung after which we were led in prayer by Rev. Knox. The minutes of the last regular meeting were read by the Secretary. On motion by Rev. G.W. Warren seconded by Rev. J.A. Curry, the minutes were adopted. Mr. Haile made a report concerning the meeting held at The Zion Baptist Church in Columbia, South Carolina at which The Honorable Leroy Johnson, Senator from The State of Georgia addressed the group. Chairman Haile stressed the fact that the Senator repeatedly spoke of "The Winds of Change" which are taking place all over the SOUTH land, and urged our people to prepare now to meet these "Winds of Change" through registering and voting in all elections. Our Chairman further stated that our proportionate share of the expense of this State wide V.E.P. Meeting was $72.25. On motion by Mr. Drakeford seconded by Rev. Knox, the Fifth District went on record approving the expense funds being forwarded to Dr. C.H. Thomas, S.C. Chairman of the V.E.P. in Orangeburg, South Carolina. It was also reported in this meeting that Union County had been added to The Fifth Congressional District, and plans must be initiated to get this new County into our V.E.P. drive at the earliest possible date. Rev. J.A. Curry reported on the progress being made in Kershaw Counties V.E.P. Drive. A representative from Chester County then asked how Chester County could be organized into a V.E.P. Unit? Chairman Haile then proceeded to outline all details concerning same. Next meeting to be held at the 2nd Presbyterian Church of Pageland, S.C. (Public Collection--$15.07) Meeting closed with a Hymn and Benediction by Rev. G.W. Warren of Camden, S.C.

Mr. Branton:

You may be interested in knowing that this form which was created in Kershaw County has been adopted for use throughout the entire 5th Congressional District of South Carolina (The State may consider same at an early date)

VOTER REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Precinct Number _____

NAME (last name first) _____ ADDRESS _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER _____ OCCUPATION _____

HOW LONG HAVE YOU LIVED IN KERSHAW COUNTY? _____

DO YOU (OWN)(RENT) (SHARE) (OTHER) YOUR HOME? (underscore proper term)

DID YOU PAY TAXES ON $300.00 OR MORE OF PROPERTY IN 19__? _____

DO YOU HAVE TAX RECEIPTS? _____ LOST? _____ MISPLACED? _____

ARE YOU REGISTERED TO VOTE? _____ (YES) _____ (NO)

DO YOU HAVE YOUR CERTIFICATE? _____ (YES) _____ (NO) IF "NO" IS CHECKED, IS YOUR CERTIFICATE LOST? _____
IF "YES" IS CHECKED, WHAT IS YOUR CERTIFICATE NUMBER? _____

IF YOU ARE NOT REGISTERED, DO ANY OF THE FOLLOWING REASONS APPLY TO YOU? (underscore where applicable)

(a.) Haven't taken time, or it has not been convenient.
(b.) Need assistance in reading?
(c.) Need assistance in filling out form?
(d.) Need Baby Sitter?
(e.) Need transportation? What Day _____ and Time _____ are you available?
(f.) Never contacted or urged to register before? _____
(g.) Other _____

HAVE YOU EVER VOTED IN AN ELECTION? _____ (YES) _____ (NO)

DO YOU UNDERSTAND HOW TO MARK THE BALLOT? _____ (yes or no) Need Help _____ (yes or no)

VOTING RECORD

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February 16, 1964

MEMO: Halifax County Voter Registration Campaign

The organizational meeting for concerted and intensive voter activity in Halifax County, North Carolina, will take place on February 21st in Enfield. A good many people -- key leaders and potential leaders from every section of the county -- will be in attendance: among others, there will be sharecroppers, students, clergy, morticians, lumber & sawmill workers, teachers, and housewives.

Mr. Moses A. Middick, Jr. will lead the meeting -- telling, in detail, the story of the successful voting endeavors that have occurred in Nansemond Co., Virginia. He will emphasize the organizational structure of the Independent Voters League of Nansemond Co. Following Mr. Middick's presentation, there will be a question-and-answer period. After that, the meeting will become informal for 30 minutes -- while the people from the various sections of Halifax Co. set up local voter committees and elect temporary chairmen of each local group. As soon as they have been elected, the temporary chairmen will choose a temporary overall chairman. The people will return to their homes to expand their local voter committees. Within ten days following the meeting of February 21, the local chairmen will meet together to systematically organize their respective local areas -- and to coordinate their local organizations into the overall Halifax Co. voters movement. Work will then commence in earnest.

Enclosed is a copy of the closely estimated voting figures for each section of Halifax County -- copies of the list have been circulated all over the general area. Also enclosed is a copy of the letter calling people together for the meeting of February 21. In addition, telephone committees are active and, also, people are traveling the county via automobile and are making many personal contacts.

John R. Salter, Jr.

copies to: Mr. Randolph Blackwell
Mr. and Mrs. Carl Rowan
Dr. James Bambaugh
Mr. Douglas Harris
Mr. North Long
Mr. Reginald Robinson

Project Proposals

VEP 4-14

COPY

Dear Friend of Freedom: February 15, 1964

We want equality, we want democracy, and we want freedom -- and we want these NOW!

Throughout Halifax County, and in the counties around it, there is rampant prejudice, discrimination, and poverty. We are treated as though we are less than human. Most of our people are denied good jobs solely on the basis of our skin color -- and many of us can get no jobs at all. Public facilities -- such as schools, hospitals, and playgrounds -- are inferior and are rigidly segregated. Virtually no public accomodations -- hotels, motels, and restaurants -- are open to us. The homes that we live in -- through no fault of our own -- are often woefully inadequate. The streets in our neighborhoods are usually unpaved and the garbage collection, sewage systems, and other civic services are very poor. No Negro law enforcement officers are hired anywhere in the County.

When we demonstrate for freedom in the streets, we are subjected to extreme police and vigilante brutality.

And there are many, many other grievances. You know them all.

We are -- all of us together -- going to change this.

We are organizing a concerted and intensive campaign throughout all of Halifax County -- a compaign which will continue on a week after week and month after month basis until all of Halifax County is a completely free and democratic place for ourselves and our children and, indeed, for all people.

There are many tools that we shall use to make Halifax County a decent place for everyone. One of the most important tools will be voting -- the right and obligation of every American. And we are launching a thorough, grass-roots voter registration campaign -- in the big towns and the little towns and out in the country.

The enclosed sheet of paper -- listing the population and voting statistics of Halifax County -- speaks shockingly for itself. It tells us what we haven't done and it tells us what we can do.

<u>It tells us what we must do: we must register and we must vote</u>.

Here is important news: On February 21, at 7 p.m., at the Cofield Funeral Home in Enfield, there will be an organizational meeting to plan voter registration action for Halifax County.

(please turn to second page)

The main speaker at this meeting -- brought in as a special consultant -- will be Mr. Moses A. Riddick, Jr., of Suffolk, Va., and Executive Director of the Nansemond Co. (Va.) Independent Voters League. A graduate of Hampton Institute, Mr. Riddick has just won the post of County Commissioner in Nansemond County. In the same election, three other Negro people won justice-of-the-peace positions.

We strongly urge you to be present at this meeting of February 21 -- one of the most significant meetings ever to be held in Halifax County.

Voter registration experts and other civil rights specialists will be coming into Halifax County, within the very near future, to assist us in our freedom campaign.

Come to the meeting of February 21 in Enfield. We shall win a full measure of liberty, food, and dignity.

Host Organization:

Enfield Senior Advisory Committee
Enfield, North Carolina

I T 'S T I M E F O R A C H A N G E

The following figures obtained from the records of the Halifax County Board of Elections reveal the shockingly low percentage of Negro voters in Halifax County. (These estimates were secured from the Chairman of the Board of Elections on January 31, 1964.)

POPULATION OF HALIFAX COUNTY:	58,000
NEGROES:	32,000
Whites:	26,000

NUMBER OF REGISTERED VOTERS IN HALIFAX COUNTY - 15,654

White: 13,967 Negro: 1,633 Indian: 54

Weldon

Total Registered:	1987 (Estimate)
Revised total:	1122
White	855
Negro	267

Roanoke Rapids

Total Registered:	7,471
White	7,306
Negro	160
Indian	5

Halifax

Total Registered:	675
White	571
Negro	104

Littleton

Total Registered:	940
White	826
Negro	114

Butterwood

Total Registered:	184
White	163
Negro	21

Conoconnara

Total Registered:	215
White	129
Negro	86

Enfield

Total Registered:	1,515
White	1,262
Negro	253

Scotland Neck

Total Registered:	1,569
White	1,346
Negro	223

Hobgood

Total Registered:	340
White	322
Negro	18

Hollister

Total Registered:	528
White	273
Negro	206
Indian	49

Palmyra

Total Registered:	79
White	65
Negro	14

Roseneath

Total Registered:	151
White	137
Negro	14

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MAR 30 1964

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P.O. Box 626
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March 27, 1964

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5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton:

We have talked at great length with Mr. Randolph Blackwell, Field Director of the Voter Education Project.

We explained to Mr. Blackwell, as thoroughly as possible and in much detail, the background and development of our functioning Halifax Voters' Movement -- its very complex county-wide working structure, its methods, and its goals.

We also explained, with frankness and in great detail, the history of our relationship with the North Carolina NAACP. We have become increasingly disillusioned with the state NAACP. After a great deal of careful consideration, over a period of many months, we have come to the definite conclusion that the present program of the state NAACP cannot and will not serve the interests of the people of Halifax County -- the people in the black-belt.

The enclosed copy of a letter to Mr. Charles McLean, state NAACP Field Secretary, speaks for itself.

For a time, we discussed issuing an invitation to CORE. We decided against doing that since this has traditionally been an NAACP area. But, since the state NAACP will not serve the needs of our people, we are proceeding independently.

All of us -- all over the county -- are working very hard indeed to make our Halifax Voters' Movement a success in every sense of the word. And we are building something that will function onward through the years ahead. We intend to win.

Our financial problems are acute and we are, therefore, submitting our proposed budget to you and are asking you to consider a grant which would extend over the next seven months -- the time period necessary to make the Halifax Voters' Movement a permanent type of organization.

We are very grateful to you for any consideration that you may give to us.

Sincerely,

A. Reed Johnson

A. Reed Johnson
Director
Halifax Voters' Movement

Enfield, N.C.
March 20, 1964

A. Reed Johnson
P.O. Box 626
Enfield, N.C.

Mr. Charles McLean
1453 Hattie Avenue
Winston-Salem, N.C.

Dear Mr. McLean:

I was certainly happy to be in conference with you ten days or so ago, and enjoyed talking with you on the telephone the other day.

A good deal of thought has been given to our discussion. As always, we appreciate your kind concern with our situation.

However, we are so well on our way to getting Halifax Co. completely organized that we all feel at this time that it would be most beneficial to the movement if we continue our present setup.

We have very adequate volunteer personnel and we do not need any outside personnel at this time.

Owing to a busy schedule, it will be very difficult for us to meet with you next week. We shall keep you informed as to developments.

With best regards, I am

Sincerely,

A. Reed Johnson

1453 Hattie Avenue
Winston-Salem, N.C.

PROPOSED BUDGET

A. FIRST PHASE: (April 1 through May 30) - Fast Pace Through May 30th Primary

1.	Leaflets, including sample ballots	$250.00
2.	Office Supplies, including mimeograph paper etc	50.00
3.	Postage	250.00
4.	Telephone Calls	150.00
5.	Transportation, chiefly gasoline	400.00
6.	Miscellaneous	65.00
	Total:	$1,165.00

B. SECOND PHASE: (June 1 through August 31) - Entrenchment

1.	Leaflets	$250.00
2.	Office Supplies	75.00
3.	Postage	175.00
4.	Telephone Calls	175.00
5.	Transportation, chiefly gasoline	450.00
6.	Miscellaneous	100.00
	Total:	$1,225.00

C. THIRD PHASE: (September 1 through November 3) - Fast Pace Through General Election

1.	Leaflets, including sample ballots	$300.00
2.	Office Supplies	50.00
3.	Postage	350.00
4.	Telephone	175.00
5.	Transportation, chiefly gasoline	450.00
6.	Miscellaneous	75.00
	Total:	$1,400.00

A. Reed Johnson
Director
Halifax Movement

ARKANSAS GAZETTE, Sun., March 29, 1964.

Negro Crowd Is Scattered With Gas

WARRENTON, N. C. (AP)—Police officers used tear gas Saturday to disperse a crowd of Negro demonstrators who blocked entrances to a drug store, restaurant and movie theater.

It was the first racial demonstration of any size in this farming town of 5,000 in northeastern North Carolina near the Virginia border.

Before resorting to the use of gas, the officers arrested about 50 of the demonstrators but had to carry them bodily to waiting police cars.

A town official said the small police force was "bone tired" from carrying the demonstrators, most of them adults, who remained seated on the pavement in front of the three establishments.

He said the demonstration ended when the tear gas bombs were thrown into the area where the Negroes sat.

Robert Blow, a field worker for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, said Negroes would gather today for a mass meeting at a Negro church.

He said a boycott of John R Hawkins and North Warren Negro schools had been set for Tuesday in protest of the way the two institutions are being administered.

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W. O. WARNER
ATTORNEY AND COUNSELLOR AT LAW
BURNETT BUILDING
ROCKY MOUNT, N. C. 27802

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April 1, 1964

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Mr. Wiley Branton
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Re: Halifax Voters' Movement

Dear Mr. Branton:

I have represented the Negro citizens of Halifax County for many months in their quest for freedom, particularly during the past summer months when there were demonstrations. This is a poverty stricken area, and to my own knowledge, no organization has sent any financial assistance here to help in any way.

The local leaders have recently launched a strong, well planned voter registration effort in the County, and are badly in need of some financial aid.

We had a conference with Mr. Randolph Blackwell, who was kind enough to visit the area for an on the spot appraisal, and we feel that he was impressed with our efforts.

The time is now! Will you please consider Halifax County for some immediate financial help?

Yours very truly,

W. O. Warner

W.O. Warner

CC: Mr. A.R. Johnson
Mrs. Lillie C. Smith
211 Pope Street
Enfield, North Carolina

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The following is the basic structure of program activity for the Halifax County voter registration campaign through the primary election of May 30, 1964. A separate program will be worked out for summer voter activity -- and another program for fall voter activity.

The program that herewith follows is merely the basic structure. Many other affairs, which aren't listed, will be conducted on a day-to-day basis as time allows.

This official, basic program structure is for the use of the District Chairmen, their various Precinct Chairmen -- and, of course, the County Chairman and the staff members and key volunteer workers. The official program listing is not intended for general distribution.

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Monday, March 23: District 4 mass meeting - Enfield (Note: The District Chairman in the district involved will select the location of the mass meeting, and the time it will be held, and will attend to its advertising.)

Tuesday, March 24: District 1 mass meeting -- Roanoke Rapids
Wednesday, March 25: District 2 mass meeting - Weldon
Thursday, March 26: District 3 mass meeting - Scotland Neck

Monday, March 30: voter class in Precinct 4 of Roanoke Rapids (Dist. 1) (Note: Each precinct chairman will select the location of the voter registration class, and the time, and will attend to its advertising.)
Tuesday, March 31: voter class in Weldon (Dist. 2)
Wednesday, April 1: County mass meeting - Weldon (Note: The County Chairman and the District Chairman involved will select the location of the mass meeting, and the time it will be held, and will attend to its advertising.)
Thursday, April 2: voter class in Scotland Neck (Dist. 3)
Friday, April 3: voter class in Enfield (Dist. 4)
Sunday, April 5: District 3 mass meeting in Scotland Neck
Monday, April 6: voter class in Precinct 5, Roanoke Rapids (Dist. 1)
Tuesday, April 7: voter class in Halifax (Dist. 2)
Wednesday, April 8: voter class in Conoconnara (Dist. 3)
Thursday, April 9: voter class in Fawcetts (Dist. 4)
Friday, April 10: voter classes in precincts 4-5, Roanoke Rapids (Dist.1)
Sunday, April 12: Dist 1 mass meeting in Roanoke Rapids
Monday, April 13: Voter class in Weldon (Dist. 2)
Tuesday, April 14: voter class in Palmyra (Dist. 3)
Wednesday, April 15: voter class in Hollister (Dist. 4)
Thursday, April 16: voter class in Halifax (Dist. 2)
Friday, April 17: voter class in Roseneath (Dist. 3)
Sunday, April 19: Dist. 4 mass meeting in Enfield
Monday, April 20: voter class in Glenview (Dist. 4)
Tuesday, April 21: voter class in Weldon (Dist. 2)
Wednesday, April 22: voter class in Hobgood (Dist. 3)
Thursday, April 23: voter class in Butterwood (Dist. 4)
Friday, April 24: voter class in Enfield (Dist. 4)
Sunday, April 26: Dist. 2 Mass Meeting in Weldon
Monday, April 27: voter class in Scotland Neck (Dist. 3)
Tuesday, April 28: voter class in Littleton (Dist. 4)
Wednesday, April 29: voter class in Halifax (Dist. 2)
Thursday, April 30: voter class in Enfield (Dist. 4)
Friday, May 1: Leadership Meeting - Enfield (all county leaders)
Saturday, May 2: FIRST DAY OF REGISTRATION
Sunday, May 3: County Mass Meeting in Weldon
Monday, May 4: Dist. 4 Leadership Meeting in Enfield
Tuesday, May 5: Dist. 1 Leadership Meeting in Roanoke Rapids
Wednesday, May 6: District 2 Leadership Meeting in Weldon
Thursday, May 7: District 3 Leadership Meeting in Scotland Neck
Friday, May 8: Leadership Meeting in Enfield (all county leaders)
Saturday, May 9: SECOND SATURDAY OF REGISTRATION
Sunday, May 10: County Mass Meeting in Scotland Neck

Monday, May 11: Dist. 4 leadership meeting in Enfield
Tuesday, May 12: Dist. 1 leadership meeting in Roanoke Rapids
Wednesday, May 13: Dist. 2 leadership meeting in Weldon
Thursday, May 14: Dist. 3 leadership meeting in Scotland Neck
Friday, May 15: Leadership Meeting in Enfield (all county leaders)
Saturday, May 16: THIRD ~~N~~ SATURDAY OF REGISTRATION
Sunday, May 17: County Mass Meeting in Roanoke Rapids

Monday, May 18: District 1 classes for registered voters (District Chairman and his Precinct Chairmen will set these up and advertise them)
Tuesday, May 19: District 2 classes for registered voters
Wednesday, May 20: District 3 classes for registered voters
Thursday, May 21: District 4 classes for registered voters
Friday, May 22: Leadership Meeting in Enfield (all county leaders)
Saturday, May 23: "CHALLENGE DAY" AT THE POLLS
Sunday, May 24: County Mass Meeting in Enfield
Monday, May 25: classes for registered voters Dist. 1
Tuesday, May 26: Dist. 2 classes for registered voters
Wednesday, May 27: Dist. 3 classes for registered voters
Thursday, May 28: Dist. 4 classes for registered voters
Friday, May 29: Leadership Meeting in Enfield (all county leaders)
Saturday, May 30: VOTING DAY - PRIMARY ELECTION
Sunday, May 31: County Mass Meeting in Weldon

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Additional Notes:

1. Whenever possible, District Chairmen will meet -- as has been the practice -- in Enfield each Wednesday morning. The County Leadership meetings, which begin on May 1, will include all county leaders -- as well as the Dist. Chairmen.

2. The registration books are open each week day -- from May 2nd to May 23 -- for prospective voter registrants -- if they can find the registrar at home or in his place of business and if he feels disposed to register. Our heavist registration will be on the three Saturdays (May 2, 9, and 16) and strategy will be worked out for the weekdays.

3. Mass "Freedom Marches" to the polls to register will be worked out for the registration ~~sk~~ Saturdays in various areas throughout the County.

4. Many publications are currently being prepared and, to cite a few examples, there will be: (1) written instructions on how to register and vote -- for mass distribution; 'canvass sheets' for each family -- one of which will be kept by the District Chairman and one of which will be kept for the Precinct Chairman ~~[illegible]~~ in whose precinct the family lives; a list of registrars and their addresses for the whole County area -- for mass distribution. There will be many other publications.

5. Economic boycotts will be instituted in several areas within the next few weeks -- designed to open up segregated facilities and to improve hiring and promotion practices.

6. Books, food and clothing -- when available -- will be given to each Dist. Chairman He will dispense them out in his area.

7. Staff Members and volunteer workers will be available for all District Chairmen and Precinct Chairmen who need them. (Staff people and volunteer workers will be conducting the classes but will be available and 'on call' whenever needed at all times of day and night.

8. Every effort must be made by everyone to involve as many youth and adults in the Halifax voter project. We are going to need all of the workers that we can get.

ONE MAN - ONE VOTE

FOR YOUR INFORMATION:

Fear is rampant throughout Halifax County -- fear of physical and economic reprisals. This fear, coupled with repressive voter registration procedures which, among other things, include extremely short registration periods and the discriminatory use of literacy tests, has acted to prevent the enfranchisement of Negro people in Halifax Co.

The following figures obtained from the records of the Halifax County Board of Elections reveal the shockingly low percentage of Negro voters in Halifax County. (These close estimates were secured from the Chairman of the Board of Elections on January 31, 1964.)

The Halifax Movement is going to change this situation.

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Total Population of Halifax County: 58,000 - (32,000 Negroes & 26,000 whites)

Number of Registered Voters in Halifax County: 15, 654
(White: 13,967 -- Negro: 1,633 -- Indian: 54

Weldon

Total Registered:	1122
White:	855
Negro:	267

Roanoke Rapids

Total Registered:	7,471
White:	7,306
Negro	160
Indian:	5

Halifax

Total Registered:	675
White:	571
Negro:	104

Littleton

Total Registered:	940
White:	826
Negro:	114

Butterwood

Total Registered:	184
White:	163
Negro:	21

Genoconnara

Total Registered:	215
White:	129
Negro:	86

Enfield

Total Registered:	1,515
White:	1,262
Negro:	253

Scotland Neck

Total Registered:	1,569
White:	1,346
Negro	223

Hobgood

Total Registered:	340
White:	322
Negro:	18

Hollister

Total Registered:	528
White:	273
Negro:	206
Indian:	49

Palmyra

Total Registered:	79
White:	65
Negro:	14

Roseneath

Total Registered:	151
White:	137
Negro	14

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Halifax Voters' Movement
209 Pope Street
Enfield, North Carolina
Telephone: 445-4671

FOR RELEASE AFTER 9 P.M. APRIL 1, 1964

WELDON, N.C. - APRIL 1: A prominent Negro businessman and civil rights leader announced tonight at a voters' mass meeting that he will run as a write-in candidate for U.S. Congressman in the Second Congressional District of North Carolina.

A.C. Cofield, a 55 year old Weldon funeral director and chairman of the Halifax Voters' Movement, will oppose incumbent Congressman L.H. Fountain of Tarboro in the May 30 primary. The Second District includes Halifax, Edgecombe, Franklin, Greene, Lenoir, Northampton, Vance, Warren, and Wilson counties.

Cofield also stated that "a large number of Negro candidates will file in the very near future for election in Halifax Co. They will run as county candidates and will be listed on the ballot."

At the mass meeting, Cofield said that he was "gravely distressed at the lack of political, social, and economic freedom for both white and Negro people -- not only in our section of North Carolina but in many areas throughout the entire nation."

Cofield cited Halifax County as "but one example of a rigid fortress of ignorance, racism, segregation, and poverty for all of its people." He pledged himself to "fight with vigor, determination and courage for a program which will bring to all people the American ideals of liberty, dignity, economic opportunity, a full education, and spiritual fulfillment."

Cofield called for an "intensive program involving, among other things, the thorough enforcement of stringent civil rights legislation by the executive branch of the Federal government; a stepping-up of the distribution of surplus food to needy areas; increased aid to integrated school systems -- and the setting-up of strong junior college networks throughout such areas as the Second District; concerted training of workers in

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urban and rural areas who have been displaced from their jobs through automation; major public works projects; increased aid to state, county and municipal road systems; and increased aid to small farmers."

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Cofield was born in Enfield, North Carolina and attended Bricks Junior College at Franklinton, N.C. He is married and is the father of two children. He was a candidate for the office of state senator in 1956.

The Citizens for Cofield organization has asked that contributions to support the Cofield campaign be sent to Cofield Campaign, P.O. Drawer C, Bricks, North Carolina.

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A. Reed Johnson
Director
Halifax Voters' Movement
P.O. Box 626
Enfield, North Carolina

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April 7, 1964

Mr. Wiley A. Branton
Project Director
Voter Education Project
Room 206
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton:

Thank you very much for your letter of April 2 which states that the V.E.P. will make a grant to the Halifax Voters' Movement in support of our intensive voter registration campaign.

We are very happy to hear this good news.

We shall immediately open a special bank account for the V.E.P. funds. As soon as this is done, we shall send you a blank check indicating the name of the bank concerned, the name of the V.E.P. bank account, and the electronic account numbers used by the bank.

Thanking you, I am

Sincerely yours,

A. Reed Johnson

A. Reed Johnson

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April 2, 1964

Mr. A. Reed Johnson
Enfield, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Upon recommendation of our Field Director, Mr. Randolph Blackwell, we have decided to make a grant to the Halifax Voters Movement in support of a voter registration program in your area. It will probably take us several days longer to reach a decision as to the exact amount of the grant which we will make and the duration of the program.

In any event, we will require the use of printed voucher checks in triplicate which we can order for you through our printer here in Atlanta and bill you for the actual cost. In order to expedite your program we will need from you immediately a blank check indicating the name of your bank and the exact name of your bank account together with any electronic account numbers which your bank may use. Let me point out that you will have to open a special account separate from any other account your organization may now maintain and this special account is to be used only for the disbursement of money coming to you from the Voter Education Project.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

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Write-In Bid Blocked

The State Board of Elections in Raleigh today knocked a 55-year - old Negro funeral director and civil rights leader of Weldon out of the May 30 Democratic primary — but still left the way open for the November general election.

A. C. Cofield of Weldon said Wednesday he would be a write-in candidate for the Second District congressional seat occupied by Rep. L. H. Fountain of Tarboro in the May 30 primary. Rep. Fountain was unopposed in seeking re-election.

The state elections board, however, told United Press International in Raleigh today that "there is no provision in the law for a write - in candidate in the primary."

The board also said any ballot with a write - in candidate on it would not be counted.

The ruling does not keep Cofield from being a write - in candidate in the general election this fall, however.

When contacted by the Daily Herald around 12:30 p. m. today, Cofield said he could not at this time say whether or not he would be a write - in candidate in November.

"We did not have such information (the state board's ruling) on hand . . . so can not make a decision until we check further into this," Cofield told the Herald.

The Second District is composed of Halifax, Edgecombe, Franklin, Greene, Lenoir, Warren, Northampton, Vance and Wilson counties. The deadline for filing for congressional seats was March 20.

Cofield, in making his announcement last night, had told the Halifax Voters' Movement of which he is chairman he was "gravely distressed at the lack of political, social and economic freedom for both the white and Negro people — not only in our section of North Carolina, but in many areas throughout the entire nation."

At the same time, Cofield told the group "a large number of Negro candidates will file in the near future for election in Halifax County. They will run as county candidates and will be listed on the ballot."

Previously Cofield had run in 1956 as a candidate for the state senate and Dr. Salter Cochrane, also of Weldon, ran for the county board of education.

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Commissioner Is Opposed

ENFIELD — At least one Halifax County Commissioner will have to fight to retain his seat on the County Board in the May 30 Democratic primary.

B. B. Kimball of Enfield yesterday told the Herald he will campaign to win a County Board seat from incumbent Board Chairman Harry Branch of Enfield.

Kimball said he filed with Board of Elections Chairman R. C. Shields yesterday and he did so because, "I would like an opportunity to serve my county. I think the political structure in the county is getting a little top-heavy."

Kimball, who is a dealer for the Raleigh News and Observer, has twice been defeated for mayor of Enfield.

The 45-year-old Kimball is married to the former Mabel Justice of Selma.

Primary Filing Deadline Ends Friday

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Filing Deadline Nearing, But Some Offices 'Open'

With filing deadline for county offices only two and a half days away, there are still a few offices in both Halifax and Northampton counties for which candidates have yet to file.

According to Halifax County Elections Board Chairman R. C. Shields of Scotland Neck, only C. H. Leggett Jr. has filed for election to the seven-member County Board of Education. Leggett, of Hobgood, is an incumbent.

There is a similar situation in Northampton County where three incumbents have yet to file for seats on that county's education board.

A Negro, C. Melvin Creecy of Rich Square announced several days ago he will seek to oust Education Board Chairman W. C. Conner. Board member John Heller of Severn filed yesterday.

Northampton Elections Board Chairman Russell Johnson Jr. reported today J. Raynor Woodard, the county's incumbent representative in the state house, has paid his filing fee to seek re-election.

Woodard's filing threw the race for that position into a two - way affair. Joe Flythe, Conway attorney, also has filed for that post.

Back over in Halifax County, in Roanoke Rapids, Elections Board secretary Wiley Connell said all three members of the Roanoke Rapids Sanitary District filed last night. They are M. H. Hedgepeth, R. E. Cleaton and Henry Coley.

Also, W. Bernard Allsbrook of Roanoke Rapids filed yesterday seeking to be returned as judge of Halifax County Recorder's Court.

Filing deadline is noon Friday and at 1 p. m. the Elections Board will meet in Halifax to certify the various applications.

Eleven Negroes Are Filed For Five County Offices

Filing deadline for the May 30th Democratic Primary is only a matter of hours away, arriving at noon tomorrow, for both Halifax and Northampton counties. Registration begins May 2.

In view of this political activity came hot and heavy in Halifax County yesterday — and in a rather dramatic form.

Eleven Negroes, probably the largest slate of candidates of their race to seek political office in a single North Carolina county since Reconstruction days, filed for nearly every major political post.

The candidates, eight men and three women, were put forth by the Halifax Voter Movement, an organization currently conducting a voter registration and political action campaign in the county.

Campaign slogan for the Negroes was reported by the Movement as being, "Food, Freedom and Good Government."

Throwing the Eighth District senate seat into a four-man race was A. Reid Johnson of Enfield.

Thomas Cofield of Enfield will oppose incumbent Halifax state representative Thorne Gregory.

Another Enfield Negro, Tyler Vaughan, boosted the number of candidates running for coroner to five.

Five Negroes filed for positions on the county board of education. They are Mrs. Salter Cochrane of Weldon, Arthur Lee Jones of Scotland Neck, W. R. Alston of Littleton, Mrs. Mima Johnson of Littleton and Mrs. Volie B. McWilliams of Enfield.

Also filing yesterday for the Board of Education was A. G. Wilcox, Jr. an Enfield white man.

For seats on the Board of County Commissioners, Negroes Spencer Williams Jr. of Scotland Neck, Clyde Johnson of Weldon and Jasper W. Wilkins of Roanoke Rapids paid their filing fees yesterday.

Filing of the bloc of Negroes was not totally unexpected. Negro civil rights leader A. C. Cofield of Weldon said several weeks ago, when he announced he would be a write - in candidate for U. S. Representative in the general elections in November, that a number of Negroes would file for county offices.

Today at 12 noon, this is the way the slate of candidates stacked up:

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS — Harry Branch of Enfield, Travis Uzelle of Scotland Neck, R. Hilliard Hux of Faucettes and Tom Myrick of Littleton, incumbents; filing opposition are B. D. Kimball of Enfield, Spencer Williams Jr. of Scotland Neck, Clyde Johnson of Weldon and Jasper W. Wilkins of Roanoke Rapids.

Frank Neal, incumbent Roanoke Rapids commissioner, has not yet filed.

BOARD OF EDUCATION — C. M. Moore of Littleton, C. H. Leggett Jr. of Hobgood and Henry Harrison of Scotland Neck, incumbents; filing opposition are A. G. Wilcox Jr. of Enfield, Mrs. Salter Cochrane of Weldon, Arthur Lee Jones of Scotland Neck, W. R. Alston of Littleton, Mrs. Mima Johnson of Littleton and Mrs. Volie B. McWilliams of Enfield.

Mrs. Joyce Shearin of the Davie Community and Jeff Whitehead of Enfield, both incumbent Board members, have not filed.

EIGHTH DISTRICT SENATOR—R. M. Taylor of Roanoke Rapids, L. Taylor Oakes of Roanoke Rapids, Julian R. Allsbrook of Roanoke Rapids and A. Reed Johnson of Enfield.

COUNTY REPRESENTATIVE — Thorne Gregory of Scotland Neck, incumbent and Thomas H. Cofield of Enfield.

COUNTY CORONER — W. H. Crawford of Roanoke Rapids, William Pace of Roanoke Rapids, Dr. Roy Creacy of Roanoke Rapids, Victor Burm of Roanoke Rapids and Tyler Vaughan of Enfield.

There is no incumbent, due to the death of the late Rufus Britton of Roanoke Rapids in Febrary.

Over in Northampton County there were no new developments yesterday, according to Elections Board Chairman Russell H. Johnson Jr.

Those who have filed are:

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS — J. Guy Revelle of Conway, John E. Boone of Jackson, H. C. Bottoms of Margarettsville, John H. Liverman Jr. of Woodland and H. C. Guthrie of Garysburg, incumbents; filing opposition is John W. Faison of Seaboard, a Negro.

BOARD OF EDUCATION — W. C. Conner of Rich Square, John C. Heller of Severn, C. G. Parker of Woodland, James Hedspeth of Conway and Dr. J. Wesley Parker Jr. of Seaboard, incumbents; filing opposition is C. Melvin Creecy of Seaboard, a Negro.

Incumbent Board members, Scott Bowers of Jackson and S. E. Crew of Gaston have not filed.

District Representative — Incumbent, J. Raynor Woodard of Conway; filing opposition is Joe Flythe of Conway.

PLEASE SIGN AND
RETURN THIS COPY TO VEP

Receipt acknowledged this 28 day
of April, 1964.

A. Reed Johnson

April 25, 1964

Mr. A. Reed Johnson, Director
Halifax Voters Movement
P. O. Box 626
Enfield, North Carolina

Re: VEP 4-14

Dear Mr. Johnson:

I am pleased to inform you that the Voter Education Project has approved a grant in the amount of $ 1,000.00 to your organization in support of the First Phase of a voter registration program in Halifax County, North Carolina. We understand that this program has already started and will run through May 30, 1964.

Our check in the amount of $ 1,000.00 representing payment in full of this grant is enclosed herein and the check should be deposited in your special VEP bank account. We have mailed to you under separate cover 250 triplicate voucher c checks which you should always use in numerical order in accordance with the financial instructions which are being sent separately. No portion of these funds should be spent for payment of expenses or services already incurred unless you first obtain permission in writing from VEP.

We prefer that you not release any publicity concerning this grant or the amount other than to those persons working with your program. You should never deny the fact that you have received a grant from VEP if asked but all inquiries by reporters or outsiders concerning the amount of the grant should be referred to our office.

The Voter Education Project is a non-partisan program in every sense of the word and no part of the funds from VEP may be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor in behalf of nor against any political candidate. This restriction applies whether the candidate be white or Negro.

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You will be required to furnish VEP with complete and full information regarding your voter registration program and it is understood that VEP may cancel this program at any time and require that you pay over to VEP any unexpended funds which you may have on hand. Mrs. Babara Whitaker, our Research Assistant, will write you concerning progress reporting.

We welcome you and your co-workers to the VEP program and look forward to a pleasant and profitable relationship which will result in increased registration. Any continuation of this support beyond May 30th will be conditioned upon your cooperation and progress to a great extent.

We consider this program as being a purely local one which you will run without the assistance of outside help. We know that NAACP, CORE, SNCC and SCLC have been active to some extent in North Carolina. These agencies have been working with VEP and there is no objection to your accepting help from any of the above organizations. If any persons who are not full time residents of your county and who represent organizations other than the above (or who claim not to be representing any particular organization) are to work with your registration program then you should inform VEP as to the name of the person, the organization he represents, and the kind of help the individual is to give. This is a research project and we must study the participation of all organizations in programs we support.

A copy of this letter is enclosed and we request that you indicate your understanding of the conditions and restrictions of this grant by signing the copy and returning it to us at once.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

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April 27, 1964

M E M O R A N D U M

To: Wiley A. Branton

From: Randolph T. Blackwell

Re: VEP 4-14 (Halifax Voters Movement)

Mr. John Salter called and asked if I could tell him if a grant would be made to the Halifax community. I told him that a reading file which I then had on my desk indicated that a grant had been made.

I indicated that action had been delayed in part by the rate that we are compelled to move around, and partly because of some other problems that had to be worked out.

I said to Mr. Salter that the letter indicates that the check is enclosed, that it is for a local program free of outside help, and was not to be used for any candidate.

Salter said that he understood the implications, and that so far as he is concerned the important thing is that a worthwhile project is going to get the help it needs.

Randolph T. Blackwell

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A. Reed Johnson
Director
Halifax Voters Movement
P.O. Box 626
Enfield, North Carolina

April 27, 1964

Mr. Wiley A. Branton
Director
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton:

We have received your letter of April 25 containing the grant of $1,000.00 for the Halifax Voters Movement. We are enclosing the signed carbon copy of your letter,which officially confirms our willingness to comply with the terms of the grant.

Although we are running eleven candidates of our own for county posts for the May 30 primary, we will definitely not use any of the VEP grant for partisan political purposes. Its use will be restricted to voter registration and voter education.

In reference to the outside personnel who are involved in our effort, there are three persons who have been actively engaged in behalf of the Halifax Voters Movement. They are: Mr. John R. Salter, Jr. of the Southern Conference Educational Fund, and Mr. Doug Harris and Mr. J.V. Henry of the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee.

Since we noticed that Mr. Salter's organization was not among the groups listed in your letter, we will explain his position in the Halifax Voters Movement.

Mr. Salter first came to Halifax Co. last September and was present here many times during the fall and winter. We might say that the Halifax Voters Movement began with a conference that Mr. Salter and I held in early January. At that time, we discussed the possibility of organizing an extensive and well-set up campaign to register Negroes in large numbers in Halifax Co. Mr. Salter offered his assistance to us and we were, and are, very glad to have it. He also suggested that other civil rights workers might be interested in coming to the county -- and we were, and are, very glad that Mr. Harris and Mr. Henry came. The first meeting of Halifax Co. leaders was held on February 21 and was addressed by Mr. Moses A. Riddick, Jr. of Nansemond Co., Virginia. Mr. Riddick had high praise for Mr. Salter, who had worked with him in Nansemond Co., and Mr. Riddick complimented our local leadership upon having such an astute assistant as Mr. Salter.

Since that first meeting on February 21, John Salter has unstintingly given his time and energy to the Negroes of this county. He has literally moved into the community, gotten to know the people and their outlooks and problems, and has been of inestimable help to our entire movement. Without his rich experiences and know-how, we feel that many of our efforts would have floundered helplessly. Together we have held forty-two mass meetings, in all sections of the county. I

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attended most of them, but John Salter was present at every one. He has met weekly with precinct leaders from throughout the county -- organizing, planning, thinking, working.

There have been other problems which he has fought resolutely and successfully. Three teachers came under fire because of their civil rights activities and they owe their jobs to careful handling of the situation by Mr. Salter. In another case, the local precinct registrar, a known bigot who publicly threatened the life of myself and others last fall, was replaced through the joint efforts of John Salter and our local civil rights leaders. And there have been other things.

A good many people in the area think very highly of Mr. Salter. Also, he is well known and liked by such men as Mr. Riddick and Mr. John Winters, the civil rights leader and city councilman in Raleigh.

But we would like to say this: All of us, John Salter, Doug Harris, J.V. Henry, myself, and all of our people, believe very strongly in the local, grassroots leadership. We have all worked very hard to develop this leadership and it is the local people, and not any one man or little group of men, who control the Halifax Voters Movement. That is why we will win.

We shall keep you posted on everything. We want to thank you and your organization for your great aid to our cause.

Sincerely yours,

A. Reed Johnson

A. Reed Johnson
Director
Halifax Voters Movement

April 30, 1964

Mr. A. Reed Johnson
Halifax Voters League
P. O. Box 626
Enfield, North Carolina

RE: VEP 4-14

Dear Mr. Johnson:

We are sending you, under separate cover, the forms to be used in statistical reporting to this office. We will expect reports to be completed on Saturday of each week, and to reach our office no later than Tuesday of the following week.

The forms are self-explanatory, but we will welcome any questions or comments. We are here to assist you, so please feel free to communicate with us at any time.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Barbara I. Whitaker
Research Assistant

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Mass Registration Planned By Negroes

Scotland Neck Commonwealth 5-1-64

Halifax County's Negro citizens are being prodded by their leaders to register and vote in the May 30 Democratic Primary.

It is part of an intense campaign to qualify upwards of 12,000 Negro voters in Northeastern North Carolina's First, Second and Third congressional Districts. The push in this county comes from the Halifax Voters Movement, an organization headed by A. C. Cofield of Weldon, who has announced that he will be a write-in candidate opposing Congressman L. H. Fountain in the November general election.

The organization has 23 district or precinct chairmen scattered throughout the county, all taking an active part in the campaign to get their people to the polls.

Halifax County has a population of 58,000 and only 1,600 of its 32,000 Negro people are registered. About 14,000 whites are registered to vote.

The major goal of the Halifax Voter's Movement is "to see that every qualified Negroin the county registers and then votes." Mass meetings and voter registration classes have been set up throughout the county are open to the public without charge. District and precinct chairmen inform citizens as to when the meetings will be held.

Two weeks ago 11 Negroes filed for election to various offices in the county, ranging from posts in the N. C. General Assembly to coroner. In an effort to swing a heavy Negro vote the Halifax Voters' Movement is expected to have Negro citizens form lines at polling places on the three registration days prior to the Democratic Primary.

The Halifax Voters' Movement has labeled itself a "well organized, well financed, and well staffed freedom movement — a vigorous and democratic movement led by local people from all sections of Halifax County. It has professional civil rights staff people working night and day in Halifax County. It has full legal aid from the best national law offices, it has important contacts in the U.

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A statement circulated by the Halifax Voters' Movement reads: "Throughout Halifax County there is rampant prejudice, discrimination and poverty. We are treated as though we are less than human. Most of our people are denied good jobs solely on the basis of our skin color—and many of us can get no jobs at all. Public facilities—such as schools, hospitals, and playgrounds — are inferior and are rigidly segregated. Virtually no public accommodations — hotels, motels, and restaurants—are open to us. The homes we live in—through no fault of our own—are often woefully inadequate. The streets in our neighborhoods are usually unpaved and the civic services are very poor. Sharecroppers and tenant farmers are cheated. No Negro law enforcement officers are hired anywhere in the county. And there are many, many other problems."

The Rev. Charles W. Ward of Raleigh,leader of the statewide movement, has said that even with intense registration and voting Negroes do not have the "preponderance" to win many offices but there is a possibility of electing several Negroes.

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ANOKE RAPIDS, N. C., MONDAY, MAY 4, 1964

Vote Probe Is Welcomed

Charges 'Unfounded'

SCOTLAND NECK — Halifax's County's Elections Board Chairman says he would welcome a "full investigation by the Justice Department" on Negro charges there is a slow-up in registration in this county.

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Shields said he toured all the county precincts Saturday and did not see anything "out of the ordinary, other than a great number of Negroes in line in Weldon Two."

He said "we have only one registrar on duty and it is not his fault if registration is held up when there are crowds. The registrar hands the applicant a form to fill out and if it takes that applicant five minutes or an hour to fill it out, that is the applicant's responsibility — not the registrar's, since the applicant does all the writing. Then the registrar reads a short section of the N. C. Constitution and in return the applicant copies that section in his own handwriting in a composition book the registrar has. If the registrar understands what is written, regardless of the spelling, then the applicant is registered," Shields said.

Shields added "in the case at Weldon Two, there were an excessive number of Negroes to register and registrar E. M. Page had them line up, admitting them to the poll in twos. He did not finish until 6:30 p. m., I understand."

Salter told the news service "1,500 Negroes were prepared to register Saturday, but only 500 were added to the books because" of the alleged slow-up.

Eleven Negro candidates are running for office in Halifax County where Negroes outnumber whites 32,000 to 26,000.

Registration will continue this Saturday and May 16.

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May 7, 1964

Mr. A. Reed Johnson
Halifax Voter Education Project
P.O. Box 626
Enfield, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Johnson:

We have received the invoice for your check imprinting and the cost is as follows:

250 Voucher checks	$29.15
Sales Tax	.88
Total	$30.03

Will you kindly reimburse us for the cost of these checks. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

Jean Levine
Fiscal Assistant

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2nd Registration Day Is Tomorrow

Tomorrow (May 9) is the second Saturday for registration of voters in the May 30 Democratic Primary.

Registrar Robert Dickens will be in the Town Hall from 9 a. m. until sunset.

The final day to register is Saturday, May 16.

Ind. Tribune 5-8-64

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Shields Denies Stall Charge, Welcomes Registration Inquiry

Eng. Pilot, 5-8-64

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Robert C. Shields, chairman of the Halifax County Board of Elections, has emphatically denied charges of a deliberate slow-up in registration of Negro voters in the county.

The accusation came last Saturday from A. C. Cofield of Weldon, chairman of the Halifax Voter Movement, on the first day of registration of voters for the May 30 Democratic Primary. Shields labeled the charge "unfounded" and dispatched a telegram to the U. S. Justice Department welcoming a full investigation of the matter.

Shields' action followed a United Press International wire service report that the Halifax Voter Movement had protested what it called a "deliberate slow-up" in registration. John R. Salter, a white man working with the Negro voter organization, said telegrams signed by Cofield had been sent to Shields, Gov. Terry Sanford, the Justice Department and State Elections Board Chairman William Joslin concerning the alleged action.

Cofield, who has announced he will be a write-in candidate against Congressman L. H. Fountain in the primary, said in his telegram: We want to formally protest with the greatest emphasis the slow-up initiated by registrars in registration of propective Negro voters that is right now occuring in several precincts in Halifax County. Very excessive periods of time are being taken to register each person. Prime examples of this are now occurring in the Enfield Precinct Two in Weldon, among others.

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Shields pointed out that only one registrar is on duty in each township and it is not the registrar's fault if registration is held up when there is a crowd. Each applicant is given a form to fill out and the amount of time used up in doing this is up to the applicant. The registrar reads a short section of the N. C. Constitution and the applicant copies this in his own handwriting. If the registrar understands what is written, regardless of the spelling, the applicant is registered, Shields said.

The elections chairman said he toured all precincts in the county Saturday and noticed nothing "out of the ordinary" other than a great number of Negroes in line in Weldon Two.

The Halifax Voter Movement, Salter said, had hoped to register 1,500 Negroes Saturday but the alleged slow-up eliminated this possibility.

A total of 557 Negroes were registered, while 216 whites signed up.

Shields sent the following telegram to Cofield on Monday: "Retell report any specific violations of laws regulating voter registration. Will investigate promptly."

Eleven Negroes are running for election to various county offices in the May Primary. Negroes outnumber whites 32,000 to 26,000 in Halifax County.

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May 8, 1964

M E M O R A N D U M

To: Wiley A. Branton

From: Weldon Rougeau

Re: FIELD TRIP TO ENFIELD, NORTH CAROLINA

Registration in Halifax County began on Saturday, May 2, the day before I visited that area; and according to all accounts was marked by the police and fire departments' harassment, slow-down tactics by registrars, and inevitable discontent and frustration of prospective registrants.

I talked with Messrs. A. Reed Johnson, director of the Halifax Voters Movement, Doug Harris, SNCC field worker, and John Salter, of SCEF, and here is what they told me about registration in Halifax County:

I.

On Saturday, May 2, approximately 500 Negro persons registered to vote in Halifax County. There were only 37 registered in Enfield although approximately 200 were lined up waiting to be registered. In nearly all areas of the county, Negroes turned out in large numbers braving the cold and sporadic rain, only to be subjected to waiting in line and constant harassment from the police department.

At Enfield, police shoved prospective registrants around while they were standing in line, threatened several workers, hurled epithets at them, and exploded a "stink" bomb in the crowd of people near the courthouse. As a result, many people left and will not easily return to register.

Telegrams were sent to the Justice Department, the governor, the chairman of the State Board of Elections, and the chairman of the Halifax County Board of Elections, protesting the slowdown tactics "....initiated by registrars in the registration of prospective Negro voters...." A copy of the draft sheet for that telegram is attached to this report. (Exhibit #1-D)

I mentioned the need for making information like this known as soon as possible to VEP, in order that pressure can be exerted from this office against these Gestapo-type tactics of the state of North Carolina.

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The above-mentioned telegram was also sent to UPI for press coverage but was quashed and did not get into the Sunday papers.

II.

In slowing down registration on Saturday, registrars were allowing persons who could not read or write time to try, although it was quite obvious many of them could not do so after attempting to read a few lines. According to Mr. Johnson, ".....one lady was drawing letters trying to pass the literacy test." Upwards of at least 30 minutes were being spent on administering the test to each person.

At Weldon, one unidentified minister reported seeing a registrar filling in a form for a white illiterate lady. Mr. Johnson indicated that people in Weldon were trying to secure the man's name and an affidavit.

Another slow-down tactic in Enfield was put into effect during "lunch time" for the registrar. He left the polling place at 11 a. m., and did not return until 2:30 in the afternoon. Obviously, he went to Greensboro for "lunch."

The workers in the Halifax Voters Movement believe most of the tactics mentioned here will continue until the public is made aware of the many injustices being rendered Negroes in their attempts to register to vote.

III.

The Halifax Voters Movement seemed to be well organized while I was talking with workers and perusing various organizational paraphernalia. I was told it is composed of local organizations "interested in the movement" and trying to help the Negro in Halifax County assert himself politically.

Although this group is composed of local bodies from within the county, John Salter of SCEF and Doug Harris of SNCC seem to have quite a bit of influence in the Halifax Voters Movement. They (John and Doug) did tell me there were no national groups involved in this campaign.

However, Mr.Johnson did not want to begin the conversation with me about the organization until Salter and Harris had arrived. When they did arrive, they dominated the discussion. Although I see nothing wrong with this, I am reporting this to you because you did express concern about John Salter's involvement in Enfield. I feel they

probably did not want to fully discuss their involvement for fear it would hurt the Enfield program. Furthermore, I do not know if SNCC and SCEF are spending funds in Halifax County, but there must be someone else spending money for the literature on the Negro candidates for public office in Halifax County and state politics. (Note: Exhibit #2).

IV.

I was told that the people in the county are organized on a block-by-block basis, and over 35,000 pieces of literature have been distributed throughout the county. (Note: Exhibits #1-A, #1-B, and #1-C).

There has been organization of "schools" on voting procedure and other kinds of voter education at mass meetings, high schools, and other places in the community. Atleast three "schools" are held each night throughout the county.

A canvassing program coincides with the "schools" on voter education informing people of the need for registration and urging them to form small study groups with their friends and neighbors.

Sound trucks are also being used to publicize "schools," registration on Saturdays, and other news of interest to the people.

Judging from the way these "schools" were explained to me and my previous knowledge and organization of them, I think they are well-organized and proving capable of attracting people to the registration places in Halifax County. It is still unknown if they will continue drawing people closer to registration if the present tactics of the registrars continue discouraging people from registering at certain precincts in the county.

V.

There is presently an attempt being made to obtain the registration books on weekdays by members of the Halifax Voters Movement through a Mr.John Winters, councilman from Raleigh. Mr. Winters is supposedly contacting members of the state Board of Elections through Governor Terry Sanford to persuade the county Board of Elections to make night registration available to everyone in the county.

VI.

From all indications, this is a good project, and I feel certain it can be successful if proper steps are taken to publicize the harassment and other obstacles being rendered the people of Halifax County.

I cannot comment on the participation of John Salter, because I feel this is an administrative problem which I am not familiar with. Therefore, it should be handled by those concerned and involved in policy-making.

However, I will say that I do not think John Salter or Doug Harris is hurting the project from my observations. But, there is always a possibility of some damaging blow being dealt the project if the desired exclusion of SCEF personnel is not handled tactfully. Personally, I think the people in the Halifax Voters Movement confide in Salter and Harris.

From a standpoint of helping the drive for new voters there, it is, in my opinion, very important that VEP use whatever influence at its disposal to inform the proper governmental and news agencies of the actions of the registrars, police, and fire departments of Halifax County as soon as possible.

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NOTE: Through circumstances altogether unforeseen, this report has been delayed in reaching the Project Director. I apologize for its tardiness.

EXHIBIT 1-A

Halifax Voters' Movement
209 Pope Street
Enfield, N.C.
445-4671

A LITTLE BASIC INFORMATION ON REGISTERING TO VOTE:

Voting -- the process by which people in a democracy choose their political leaders (U.S. President, State Governor, County Sheriff etc.) -- is the right and obligation of every American citizen. The Fifteenth Amendement to the U.S. Constitution states: "The rights of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be abridged by the United States or by any state on account of race, color or previous condition of servitude."

But -- before you can vote, you must be registered. You must have your name written down in the official registration book. In each precinct in Halifax County -- Enfield, Connaconara, Hobgood, Weldon or any of the others -- there is a man who has the job of voter registrar and this registrar has a registration book for his precinct. At certain particular times of the year -- specifically, the 4th, 3rd, and 2nd Saturdays before each primary and general election -- the registrar is at the polling-place to register people in order that they might vote. Each precinct has a special polling-place, not only just for registration -- but also for voting. (ASK YOUR PRECINCT CHAIRMAN WHO THE REGISTRAR IS IN YOUR PRECINCT AND WHERE YOUR PRECINCT'S POLLING PLACE IS LOCATED.)

You can register and, when voting day comes, you can vote -- if:

(1) You are 21 years of age or older.
(2) You have lived in North Carolina for one year or more and have lived in your precinct for 30 days or more.
(3) You can read and write.

When are the next registration Saturdays? The primary election is May 30th -- so the next registration days will be Saturday, May 2; Saturday, May 9; and Saturday, May 16.

How does one register? Go to the polling place in your precinct on one of the three registration Saturdays -- preferably Saturday, May 2. (The polling place will be open for registration beginning at 9 a.m.) (We will have someone out in front to help you and direct you to the registrar.) The registrar may ask you to read a section of the North Carolina Constitution -- in order to show him that you can read; he may ask you to write a section of the North Carolina Constitution in order to show that you can write. (You do not have to write from dictation -- you only have to copy the section of the State Constitution, from a book, and at your own speed. When reading the section from the State Constitution, you do not have to pronounce all the words just exactly right. If you can read and write reasonably well -- say, as well as a sixth-grader -- that is enough.)

A section of the North Carolina Constitution that is often used for the little reading and writing test is this one -- the one dealing with registration:

Article VI - Section 4. Qualification for registration. Every person presenting himself for registration shall be able to read and write any section of the Constitution in the English language. But no male person who was, on January 1, 1867, or at any time prior thereto, entitled to vote under the laws of any State in the United States wherein he then resided, and no lineal descendant of any such person, shall be denied the right to register and vote at any election in this State by reason of his failure to possess the educational qualifications herein prescribed: Provided, he shall have registered in accordance with the terms of this Section prior to December 1, 1908. The General Assembly shall provide for the registration of all persons entitled to vote without the educational qualifications herein prescribed, and shall, on or before November 1, 1908, provide for the making of a permanent record of such registration, and all persons so registered shall forever thereafter have the right to vote in all elections by the people in this State, unless disqualified under Section 2 of this Article."

Or, you may be asked to read and write another section of the North Carolina Constitution.

After you have had the little reading and writing test, you will have to take the following oath:

"I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support the Constitution of the United States, and the Constitution of the State of North Carolina not inconsistent therewith; that I have been or will have been a resident of the State of North Carolina for one year, and of _____ township, precinct or ward for thirty days by the date of the next general election; that I am twenty-one years of age or will be by the date of the next general election; that I have not registered for this election in any other ward or precinct or township. So help me, God."

If, by any chance, you are embarassed or bothered by the registrar, report it to the person that we will have out in front. In any case, when you are finished, report to our person out in front as to whether or not you were registered.

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MY PRECINCT IS_____

THE NAME OF MY PRECINCT'S REGISTRAR IS_____

MY PRECINCT'S POLLING PLACE IS_____AT_____

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WHAT THE HALIFAX VOTERS' MOVEMENT IS ALL ABOUT:

The Problems: Throughout Halifax Co., there is rampant prejudice, discrimination, and poverty. We are treated as though we are less than human. Most of our people are denied good jobs solely on the basis of our skin color -- and many of us can get no jobs at all. Public facilities -- such as schools, hospitals, and playgrounds are inferior and are rigidly segregated. Virtually no public accomodations -- hotels, motels, and restaurants-- are open to us. The homes that we live in -- through no fault of our own -- are often woefully inadequate. The streets in our neighborhoods are usually unpaved and the civic services are very poor. Sharecroppers and tenant farmers are cheated. The county commisssioners of Halifax Co., the big landowners, and others have prevented the distribution of tons and tons of Federal surplus foods -- foods that could be distributed, at no cost, to the thousands and thousands of needy families in the county. No Negro law enforcement officers are hired anywhere in the county. AND THERE ARE MANY, MANY OTHER PROBLEMS.

One Good Cure for the Problems - Voting: Halifax Co. has a total population of about 58,000 people -- 26,000 of these are white and 32,000 are Negro. About 14,000 white people are registered to vote -- but ONLY about 1,600 Negro people are registered. IS IT ANY WONDER THAT HALIFAX CO. IS IN SUCH BAD SHAPE?

The Halifax Voters' Movement is a well organized, well financed, and well staffed FREEDOM MOVEMENT -- a vigorous and democratic movement led by local people from all sections of Halifax Co. It has professional civil rights staff people working night and day in Halifax Co., it has full legal aid from the best national law offices, it has important contacts in the U.S. government and all over the country. It is supported by thousands and thousands of Halifax Co. Negro people -- people from the towns and rural areas -- but it needs YOUR support!

The goal of the Halifax Voters' Movement is to see that every Negro in Halifax Co. registers and then votes. The Halifax Voters' Movement wants a full measure of human liberty, a full measure of food, a full measure of human dignity, and a full measure of spiritual fulfillment -- for every person. It will settle for nothing less.

The Halifax Voters' Movement has set up very important mass meetings and voter registration classes throughout the county -- and these are open to the public at no charge. Each night, at least one important meeting is being held somewhere in the county. ASK YOUR DISTRICT CHAIRMAN OR YOUR PRECINCT CHAIRMAN WHERE AND WHEN THE MEETINGS ARE SCHEDULED FOR YOUR AREA ---AND THEN COME TO THOSE MEETINGS AND BRING OTHERS WITH YOU. The Halifax Voters' Movement will have a number of Negro candidates on the election ballot for the coming elections --- and Mr. A.C. Cofield of Weldon has announced that he will be a write-in candidate for the position of U.S. Congressman in the November general election. THESE CANDIDATES NEED YOUR SUPPORT.

Get Set To Register And Get Set To Vote -- Come To The Voter Meetings And Bring Others With You -- "Talk-Up" The Voter Message In Your Neighborhood, At School, At Church, On The Job And EVERYWHERE!

WE NEED YOUR HELP: YOUTH AND ADULT, RICH AND POOR, TOWN MAN AND FARMER, SHARECROPPER AND TEACHER, CLERGYMAN AND BUSINESSMAN -- THIS IS YOUR FIGHT -- WE WILL ALL WIN TOGETHER!

One Man = One Vote

EXHIBIT # 1-B

Halifax Voters Movement - 209 Pope Street - Enfield - No. Carolina - 445-4671

When you register, you will have to take the following oath -- and write down the following information -- and this will probably appear on a little card similar to this:

To The Halifax County Board Of Elections:

I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support the Constitution of the United States, and the Constitution of the State of North Carolina not inconsistent therewith; that I have been or will have been a resident of the State of North Carolina for one year, and of _____ Township, _____ Precinct for one month by the date of the next general election; that I am twenty-one years of age or will be by the date of the next general election; that I have not registered for this election in any other ward or precinct or township. So help me God.

Signed this _____ day of _____, 19_____

_____
Signature of Applicant

_____ _____ _____
Race Age Place of Birth

_____
Address

_____
Registrar

In addition to taking the above oath and giving the above information, you may be asked to show the registrar that you can read and write: he may ask you to read a section of the North Carolina Constitution and he may ask you to write a section of the North Carolina Constitution. (Remember: you do NOT have to write from dictation -- you only have to copy the section of the State Constitution, from a book, and at your own speed. When reading the section from the State Constitution, you do NOT have to pronounce all the words just exactly right. If you can read and write reasonably well -- say, as well as a sixth-grader -- that is enough.)

The registrar may ask you to read and write from any one of the many sections of the State Constitution. Here, however, is one section that is commonly used:

Article VI -- Section 4. Qualification for registration. Every person presenting himself for registration shall be able to read and write any section of the Constitution in the English language. But no male person who was, on January 1, 1867, or at any time prior thereto, entitled to vote under the laws of any State in the United States wherein he then resided, and no lineal descendant of any such person, shall be denied the right to register and vote at any election in this State by reason of his failure to possess the educational qualifications herein prescribed: Provided, he shall have registered in accordance with the terms of this Section prior to December 1, 1908. The General Assembly shall provide for the registration of all persons entitled to vote without the educational qualifications herein prescribed, and shall, on or before November 1, 1908, provide for the making of a permanent record of such registration, and all persons so registered shall forever thereafter have the right to vote in all elections by the people in this State, unless disqualified under Section 2 of this Article."

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VERY IMPORTANT!

Be sure to ask your precinct chairman what your township is and what your precinct is and be certain you can spell them correctly.

When the registrar asks you what party you affiliate with -- answer "Democratic".

Passed out Downtown

EXHIBIT 1-C

DO YOUR DUTY — AS AN AMERICAN!

REGISTER TO VOTE

— TODAY —

IF YOU LIVE IN AND AROUND THE ENFIELD AREA, REGISTER AT THE FIRE STATION

ONE MAN = ONE VOTE

In case you do not live in and around the Enfield area, here are the registration places for some of the adjoining precincts:

Butterwood.....School Gymn
Conoconnara.....A.C.L. Office
Faucetts.....Community Center
Glenview.....Sykes Store
Halifax.....Old Clerks Office
Hollister.....Quall's Store
Roseneath.....Cotten's Store

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Alice M Evans I live on Halifax Street
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418 Halifax Street
Enfield,N.C.
May 2,1964

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Do your duty and vote tt ....nnn

Now is the time for all good men to come to the aidof their party.

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We shall not lordy lordy, we shall not be moved.

EXHIBIT #1 D

We want to formally ~~ab~~ protest with the greatest emphasis the slow-up -- initiated by registrars -- in the registration of prospective Negro voters that is right now occurring in several precincts in Halifax Co. Very excessive periods of time are being taken to register each person. Prime examples of this are now occurring in ~~and in Littleton, among others.~~ the Enfield precinct and in precinct no. 2 in Weldon, among others. We hold this slow-up to be deliberately initiated in order to continue the disenfranchisement of Negro people in this county. We call upon both the State and Federal governments to see to it that registration is expedited within the context of both State and Federal voter registration laws. We further call upon the State government to immediately provide for assistant registrars in order to further expedite the registration of ~~the registration of disenfranchisement~~ many Negro people indeed -- ~~many~~ people who have been waiting for many hours already in order to register.

A.C. Cofield
Chairman
Halifax Voters Movement
Enfield, North Carolina
445-4671

Instructions to Western Union agent: We want the above telegraphed on a straight-wire basis to the following:

Mr. Robert Shields
Chairman
Halifax County Board of Elections
Scotland Neck, N.C.

Mr. William Joslyn
Chairman
State Board of Elections
State Capitol
Raleigh, N.C.

Governor Terry Sanford
State Capitol
Raleigh, N.C.

U.S. Department of Justice
Washington, D.C.

We want copies of each telegram -- to be sent to P.O. Box 626, ~~Enfield~~ Enfield, North Carolina, c/o Reed Johnson.

Changes are to be made to telephone 445-4671, Enfield - listed in name of Enfield Fiscal

Dist 24 of April

EXHIBIT 2

Food—Freedom

GOOD GOVERNMENT!

Do YOU Want:

★ Liberty and Dignity
★ Excellent Schools
★ Good Roads and Other Civic-County Services
★ Equal Job Opportunities
★ Surplus Federal Food For The Needy
★ Recreational Areas
★ Industries In Halifax County—For Jobs
★ Clean, Constructive Government

If YOU Do—SUPPORT:

State Senator

Mr. A. Reed Johnson [X]

State Representative

Mr. Thomas Cofield [X]

County Commissioners

The Rev. Clyde Johnson [X]

Mr. Jasper Wilkins [X]

The Rev. Spencer Williams, Jr. [X]

County School Board

Mr. William Alston [X]
Mrs. Salter Cochran [X]
Mrs. Mima Johnson [X]
Mr. Arthur Lee Jones [X]
Mrs. Votie McWilliams [X]

County Coroner

Mr. Tyler Vaughn [X]

Register In Your Precinct: May 2, 9, 16
Vote In Your Precinct: May 30

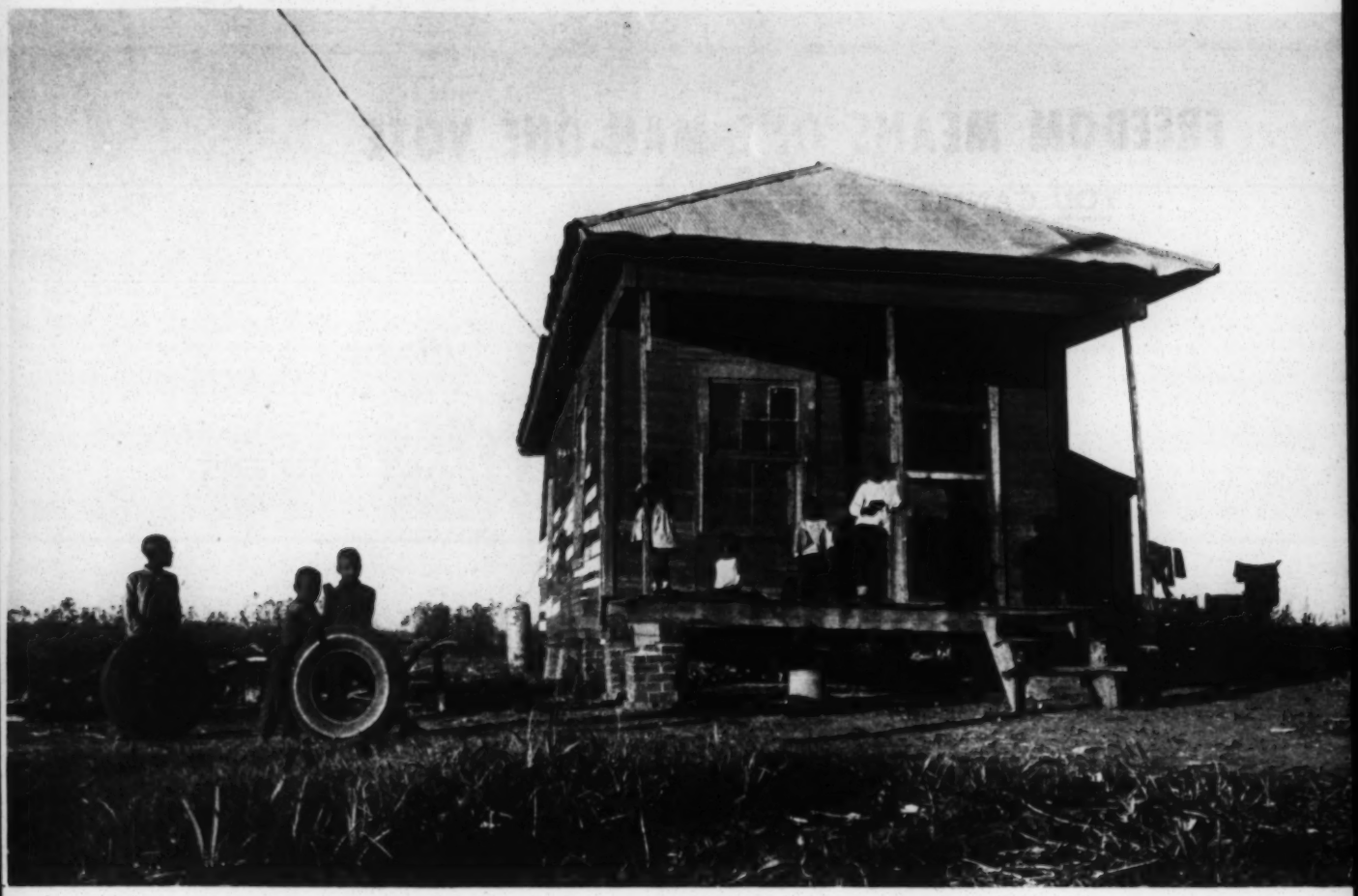
Halifax Voters Movement, Enfield, N. C.

P. O. BOX 626 — 445-4671

One Man-One Vote—For Freedom!

EXHIBIT # 3

GIVE THEM A FUTURE IN EASTERN NORTH CAROLINA



ONE MAN - ONE VOTE FOR FREEDOM

EASTERN NORTH CAROLINA WHAT IS ITS FUTURE?

Only when government officials are elected by all the people and for all the people, will there be freedom in North Carolina

FREEDOM MEANS ONE MAN-ONE VOTE

YOU CANNOT HAVE

- -- FAIR JOB PRACTICES
- -- GOOD EDUCATION
- -- FREEDOM FROM INTIMIDATION OR BRUTALITY BY POLICE
- -- A FAIR AND JUST TRIAL
- -- GOOD LAWS THAT PROTECT ALL CITIZENS

UNLESS YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO VOTE!

THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES SAYS:

1. Anyone born in the United States is a citizen of this nation and the state where he lives.

2. All citizens of the United States have a right to vote that no state can deny because of race or color.

YOU ARE A CITIZEN. YOU HAVE A RIGHT TO VOTE

REGISTER TO VOTE ON
FREEDOM DAY
SAT., MAY 2, 1964

WE MUST HAVE THE VOTE.
THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT MUST PROTECT OUR RIGHTS.

Anyone who tries to stop a Negro from voting is commiting a crime against the United States.

CITIZENS OF EASTERN NORTH CAROLINA

Books are only open on three Saturdays -

May 2, May 9, May 16,

-before the May 30, primary.

COME! PROTEST! DEMAND YOUR RIGHTS!

> *"The day will come when freedom and equality will exist for all the people, not just for some of the people. ONE MAN-ONE VOTE is the African cry. It is ours too."*
>
> *- John Lewis, Chairman*
> *Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee*

FOR A FUTURE IN EASTERN NORTH CAROLINA

REGISTER AND VOTE

NORTH CAROLINA WILL BE FREE IN THE FUTURE ONLY IF YOU ARE FREE.

YOU CANNOT BE FREE UNLESS YOU VOTE.

Contact:

Halifax County Voters Movement
P O Box 626
Enfield, N.C. *Phone HI-5-4671*

ATTACH to ENFIELD REPORT

EXHIBIT #4

IT'S TIME FOR A CHANGE

The following figures obtained from the records of the Halifax County Board of Elections reveal the shockingly low percentage of Negro voters in Halifax County. (These estimates were secured from the Chairman of the Board of Elections on January , 1964.)

POPULATION OF HALIFAX COUNTY:	58,000
NEGROES:	32,000
Whites:	26,000

NUMBER OF REGISTERED VOTERS IN HALIFAX COUNTY - 15,654

White: 13,967 Negro: 1,633 Indian: 54

Weldon

Total Registered:	1987 (Estimate)
Revised total:	1122
White	855
Negro	267

Roanoke Rapids

Total Registered:	7,471
White	7,306
Negro	160
Indian	5

Halifax

Total Registered:	675
White	571
Negro	104

Littleton

Total Registered.	940
White	826
Negro	114

Butterwood

Total Registered:	184
White	163
Negro	21

Conoconnara

Total Registered:	215
White	129
Negro	86

Enfield

Total Registered:	1,515
White	1,262
Negro	253

Scotland Neck

Total Registered.	1,569
White	1,346
Negro	223

Hobgood

Total Registered:	340
White	322
Negro	18

Hollister

Total Registered:	528
White	273
Negro	206
Indian	49

Palmyra

Total Registered:	79
White	65
Negro	14

Roseneath

Total Registered:	151
White	137
Negro	14

May 8th, 1964
John D. Larkins, Jr.
U. S. District Judge
E. D. N. C.

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA

Wilson Division

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WILLIAM ALSTON, et al,	I	
	*	O R D E R
vs.	I	
	*	
L. M. BUTS, et al.	I	

This matter having come on to be heard upon plaintiffs' motion for an interlocutory injunction and for a temporary restraining order, supported by affidavits and it appearing to the court that defendants have been engaging and continue to engage in a course of conduct which discriminatorily deprives Negroes in Halifax County, North Carolina, of an opportunity to register to vote causing immediate and irreparable injury, loss and damage to the plaintiffs, and it further appearing that a temporary restraining order restraining such acts should be granted without notice or hearing in view of the shortness of time in which registration is permissable under North Carolina law;

It is therefore ordered that the defendants, precinct registrar, their agents, servants and employees and persons acting in concernt with them are hereby temporarily restrained from directly or indirectly adopting and pursuing a course of conduct by which more time qualifying Negro applicants for registration is spent than is the case with White applicants, and in any event barring any defendant precinct registrar from spending more than 5 minutes qualifying any applicant for registration, and

It further ordered that the said defendant precinct registrars, their agents, servants and employees and persons acting in concert with them are temporarily ordered;

(a) Whenever it appears that applicants to register are in line, to permit three applicants to ~~register~~ be processed for registration at the same time.

(b) To give immediate notice of a public nature of the places where applicants may register

to vote up to and including May 16, 1964, such places to be a place other than the residence of the registrar ~~of business~~ to be fixed with the approval of the County Board of Elections and to be at a place convenient to the electorate in such precinct.

It is further ordered that the defendants, members of the County Board of Elections, their agents, servants and employees and persons acting in concert with them are temporarily ordered to designate one or more assistant registrars to register applicants to vote, whenever it shall appear that the waiting time to register is more than 30 minutes.

It is further ordered that plaintiffs' motion for preliminary injunction be, and set for hearing in this court on May 13th, 1964, at 4:00 o'clock P M..

It is further ordered that the above and foregoing order shall expire on May 14th, 1964, unless it is further extended by order of the Court.

Dated this 8th day of May, 1964, at 6:00 o'clock P. M.

JOHN D. LARKINS
UNITED STATES DISTRICT
JUDGE

Service of this order, together with a copy of said order, a copy of the Complaint, shall be served upon each defendant by the U.S. Marshal forthwith —
This May 8th 1964

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA

WILSON DIVISION

Civil No _____

WILLIAM ALSTON ET ALS.	:	
	:	
vs.	:	PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION
	:	
L. M. BUTTS ET ALS.	:	

This matter came on to be heard on plaintiff's motion for a preliminary injunction, supported by affidavits, and the Court having heard oral arguments on behalf of plaintiffs and defendants on the order to show cause issued by this Court on May 8, 1964, and it appearing to the Court that prior to May 8, 1964, due to slowness of registration, plaintiffs and other persons similarly situated, were unable to register to vote in Halifax County and were thereby deprived of their constitutional rights, and that on May 8, 1964, the undersigned issued a temporary restraining order requiring certain acts to be performed and it appearing to the Court that there has been substantial compliance with said order; and, it further appearing to the Court that the requirement of said order of May 8, 1964, with respect to a five minute limit of registration of each applicant is likely to cause hardship in certain cases, it is hereupon

ORDERED that the defendant precinct registrars, their agents, servants, employees, and successors, and persons acting in concert with them are, pending the final hearing in this matter, be restrained and enjoined from directly or indirectly adopting a course of action by which more time qualifying Negro applicants for registration is spent than is the case with white applicants; and it is further ordered that the defendant precinct registrars register all qualified applicants in accordance with Chapter 163, Article 6, of the General Statutes of North Carolina, provided that the time limit of five minutes for registering each applicant shall be used as a guide and that a reasonable extension will be granted each applicant.

It is further ordered that the defendant precinct registrars, their agents, servants, and successors, and all persons acting in concert with them, are temporarily ordered, whenever it appears that applicants to register are in line, to permit three applicants to be processed for registration at the same time.

This order shall remain in effect pending further orders of this Court.

Done in the City of Raleigh, North Carolina, on the _____ day of May, 1964.

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

Over 2,000 Negroes Registered in Halifax

ENFIELD — The first Freedom Day in rigidly segregated Halifax County resulted in registration of 500 Negroes to vote, raising the total in the county to more than 2,000.

John R. Salter Jr., field organizer for the Southern Conference Educational Fund, said this was done in the face of delaying tactics by registrars and harrassment by police. The latter included, he said, setting off a stench bomb in police headquarters after the polling place was moved there from its regular location.

"In some places it was as bad as anything in Mississippi," said Salter. Salter, who organized protests in Jackson, Miss., last year, is aiding the Halifax Voters Movement in the registration drive.

More Negroes are running for office in Halifax than in any county in the south since Reconstruction. Eleven are seeking county-wide offices and one is a candidate for Congress.

Salter said that in some places, registrars took half an hour to register applicants. One registrar, he said, took three hours for lunch, and in another place, Salter added, the registrar refused to tell applicants whether they were registered or not. Salter said this was a familiar tactic in Mississippi.

He said the protests have been sent to state officials and to the Justice Department in Washington. Intensive legal action in federal courts is likely, he added.

Two more Freedom Days are planned before the May 30 primary election, on May 9 and 16, as registration books are open only on three Saturdays before the primary and general elections.

Doug Harris of the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee is assisting in the drive also.

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Halifax Registration Speed-Up Is Ordered

TRENTON — An order to speed up registration of Negro voters in Halifax County was signed here Friday night by U. S. District Judge John D. Larkins Jr.

He took the action on the basis of a complaint filed under the Civil Rights Act.

The temporary restraining order is returnable before Judge Larkins in the Wilson Division of Eastern District Court at 4 p.m. on May 13.

He decreed that Halifax registration officials "are hereby temporarily restrained from directly or indirectly pursuing a course of conduct by which more time qualifying Negro applications for registration is spent than is the case of white applicants."

A time limit of five minutes was directed for qualifying any applicant for registration.

The order further directed:

"Whenever it appears that applicants to register are in line, to permit three applicants to be processed for registration at the same time.

"To give immediate notice of a public nature of the places where applicants may register to vote on week days other than Saturday and Sunday up to and including May 16, 1964, such places to be a place other than the residence of the registrar, to be fixed with the approval of the County Board of Elections and to be at a place convenient to the electorate in such precinct.

"That whenever it shall appear that waiting time to register is more than 30 minutes, that one or more assistant registrars be designated to register applicants to vote.

In signing the order, Judge Larkins, referring to supporting affidavits, said it appeared to the court that "defendants have been engaging and continue to engage in a course of conduct which discriminately deprives Negroes in Halifax County to register to vote causing immediate and irreparable injury, loss and damage to the plantiffs."

Judge Larkins declared it further appeared that "a temporary restraining order restraining such acts would be granted without notice or hearing in view of the shortness of time in which registration is permissable under North Carolina law."

The compiaint noted a 1960 Halifax County population of 58,000, including 26,000 whites and 32,000 Negroes, with 15,406 white registered voters and 1,954 Negroes.

The complaint alleged that Negro candidates will be deprived of being voted for by large segments of the commun-

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ity "solely because of their race and the race of their supporters."

Morton Stavis, Newardk, N. J., attorney representing the Negro voters of Halifax, said about 1,000 Negroes were turned away last Saturday because of lack of time to register them. He estimated that about 525 were registered.

Stavis charged that registars "have arranged to take long periods of time for Negroes" to qualify for registration.

"Negroes are required to read long and complicated sections of the Constitution," he declared, "while white applicants for registration are eiher not required to read any section of the Constitution or any given a simple section to read."

ROANOKE RAPIDS, N. C., SUNDAY, MAY 10, 1964

Polling Places Must Be Open All Week

Registrars Resigning

By DICK KERN

All polling precincts in Halifax County will be open this week every day for the purpose of registering voters, an action which a Halifax County Elections Board official said "already has brought several resignations from registrars."

The order to keep the polls open from 9 a. m. to [illegible] (7 p. m.) came from U. S. District Judge John [illegible] Larkins Jr. of [illegible] Tuesday night with a [illegible] order being served on [illegible] officials throughout yesterday.

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"We are now trying to obtain new registrars where those have resigned (he did not name the precincts) and will make these public within the quickest possible time," Shields said. He added "there is an additional handicap in that we can not use some of the polling places because they serve as business or professional places during the week."

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Shield said last week "if any Negro applicant for registration is unduly detained, it is his or her fault since the applicant fills out the form himself and also writes from the Constitution in a composition book. He can take five minutes or 30 minutes. . .we are trying to give everyone an opportunity to register."

Yesterday Shields said "we have taken every step to expedite this registration and feel when a registrars takes in two or three at a time, he is meeting the law as the Election Board interprets it. We have not added on any assistant registrars. . .in fact, we are having trouble keeping the ones we have due to this unnecessary harrassment."

Shields added "we already have started to work on setting up registration places for the week days, but are having trouble getting registrars and registration places."

Shields made his statement late Saturday while meeting with Wiley Council of [illegible] Rapids and, [illegible] Weldon, the [illegible] board.

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te, County Run-[illegible]ff Decisions Awaited

How Halifax Voted In Major Race[illegible] [illegible]f Democratic Primary

HALIFAX PRECINCTS	RR 1	RR 2	RR 3	RR 4	RR 5	RR 6	RR 7	Weldon 1	Weldon 2	Enfield	[illegible]	Halifax	Hobgood	Glenview	Conoconara	Roseneath	Palmyra	Hollister	Littleton	Faucetts	Butterwood	TOTALS
STATE SENATE																						
Julian Allsbrook	396	203	330	296	291	521	418	328	266	410	[illegible]	[illegible]	105	74	42	65	33	187	246	259	91	5166
Taylor Oakes	94	78	196	115	130	227	212	256	139	475	[illegible]	[illegible]	85	37	113	45	25	49	124	114	41	3049
R. M. Taylor	166	70	219	148	169	221	218	77	83	185	[illegible]	54	25	33	13	10	12	38	91	75	26	2247
Reed Johnson	0	0	1	0	0	62	135	93	339	414	[illegible]	96	41	143	105	80	17	111	142	50	24	2075
REPRESENTATIVE																						
Thorne Gregory	597	316	705	502	523	874	720	628	399	1022	[illegible]	412	196	129	147	114	55	227	390	425	141	9514
Thomas Cofield	7	7	8	11	7	82	169	103	399	412	[illegible]	104	41	148	107	83	24	114	196	55	33	2382
DISTRICT TWO																						
Frank Neal	620	339	727	534	557	925	855	627	377	970	[illegible]	387	172	138	140	104	59	231	383	411	145	9634
Jasper Wilkins	8	3	6	5	8	84	175	101	435	432	[illegible]	116	50	136	107	81	22	117	202	58	28	2414
DISTRICT THREE																						
Hilliard Hux	451	256	483	352	386	616	380	260	173	874	[illegible]	233	137	124	114	103	50	183	314	367	120	6752
J. W. Fulgham	150	70	232	168	162	281	414	380	225	113	[illegible]	162	46	17	19	5	14	48	78	77	33	2833
Clyde Johnson	15	7	19	7	6	86	167	102	415	423	[illegible]	120	46	133	113	75	19	132	194	51	27	2410
DISTRICT FOUR																						
Harry Branch	538	295	652	456	544	830	683	572	395	930	[illegible]	386	186	143	142	110	63	238	402	381	137	8973
B. D. Kimball	63	32	44	59	55	141	217	148	368	514	[illegible]	136	45	134	103	73	17	135	168	38	38	2791
DISTRICT FIVE																						
Travis Uzzell	564	300	667	491	511	862	617	583	378	932	[illegible]	377	181	129	138	110	51	213	377	400	141	8999
Spencer Williams	29	15	44	21	29	105	164	114	377	432	283	117	47	135	115	80	32	133	173	57	27	2529
CORONER																						
W. H. Crawford	152	71	202	170	104	228	141	327	156	736	606	196	141	70	147	92	21	140	150	163	42	4061
W. L. Pace	288	133	244	181	238	294	339	163	124	179	251	77	37	33	36	10	31	34	145	100	63	3000
R. L. Creasy	180	128	263	179	203	383	257	117	142	100	85	111	7	35	11	3	3	26	131	161	47	2572
Tyler Vaughan	3	2	1	4	5	58	65	103	348	394	253	112	41	133	148	81	23	123	141	50	24	2112
Victor Burm	12	11	14	12	14	20	86	19	25	24	21	12	1	5	10	1	5	37	19	8	1	354
EDUCATION BOARD																						
Joyce Shearin	542	304	686	481	511	902	819	677	635	1273	1089	366	203	128	215	178	64	304	495	449	168	10489
C. M. Moore	558	300	663	490	505	863	778	678	625	1097	1075	124	194	193	206	183	63	292	516	334	164	9941
C. H. Leggett	560	304	667	490	508	886	729	611	408	995	936	390	201	130	139	123	63	214	397	412	147	9287
Henry Harrison	552	299	661	490	509	853	702	615	395	1013	971	392	194	140	143	112	57	225	380	406	145	9244
Mrs. A. L. Williams	516	290	605	453	478	830	697	594	422	1120	902	124	174	167	153	119	53	245	399	427	149	9217
Jeff Whitehead	542	302	676	479	496	849	739	610	394	1026	913	388	176	152	145	117	54	214	376	415	146	9209
A. G. Willcox	543	301	643	487	485	819	724	612	383	980	916	389	184	171	135	114	58	229	384	415	147	9119
Mrs. S. J. Cochran	46	18	51	32	36	109	218	118	351	443	269	130	35	119	104	98	20	121	193	66	27	2604
W. R. Alston	36	11	48	30	27	105	149	83	316	391	225	112	39	130	86	71	16	113	167	57	25	2237
Votie McWilliams	13	9	32	20	23	114	155	86	310	371	198	109	31	107	87	72	16	116	158	53	24	2104
Mrs. Mima Johnson	23	8	52	16	13	100	146	86	324	387	226	21	39	116	98	75	14	104	171	46	27	2093
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Jasper Wilkins	8	3	6	5	8	84	175	101	435	432	[illegible]	[illegible]	50	136	107	81	22	117	202	58	28	2414
DISTRICT THREE																						
Hilliard Hux	451	256	483	352	386	616	380	260	173	874	[illegible]	233	137	124	114	103	50	183	314	367	120	6752
J. W. Fulgham	150	70	232	168	162	281	414	380	225	113	[illegible]	[illegible]	46	17	19	5	14	48	78	77	33	2833
Clyde Johnson	15	7	19	7	6	86	167	102	415	423	[illegible]	120	46	133	113	75	19	132	194	51	27	2410
DISTRICT FOUR																						
Harry Branch	538	295	652	456	544	830	683	572	395	930	[illegible]	[illegible]	186	143	142	110	63	238	402	381	137	8973
B. D. Kimball	63	32	44	59	55	141	217	148	368	514	[illegible]	[illegible]	45	134	103	73	17	135	168	38	38	2791
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Travis Uzzell	564	300	667	491	511	862	617	583	378	932	977	377	181	129	138	110	51	213	377	400	141	8999
Spencer Williams	29	15	44	21	29	105	164	114	377	432	283	[illegible]	47	135	115	80	32	133	173	57	27	2529
CORONER																						
W. H. Crawford	152	71	202	170	104	228	141	327	156	736	606	[illegible]	141	70	147	92	21	140	150	163	42	4061
W. L. Pace	288	133	244	181	238	294	339	163	124	179	251	[illegible]	37	33	36	10	31	34	145	100	63	3000
R. L. Creasy	180	128	263	179	203	383	257	117	142	100	[illegible]	[illegible]	7	35	11	3	3	26	131	161	47	2572
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EDUCATION BOARD																						
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C. M. Moore	558	300	663	490	505	863	778	678	625	1097	1075	[illegible]	194	193	206	183	63	292	516	334	164	9941
C. H. Leggett	560	304	667	490	508	886	729	611	408	995	936	[illegible]	201	130	139	123	63	214	397	412	147	9287
Henry Harrison	552	299	661	490	509	853	702	615	395	1013	971	[illegible]	184	140	143	112	57	225	380	406	145	9244
Mrs. A. L. Williams	516	290	605	453	478	830	697	594	422	1120	902	[illegible]	174	167	153	119	53	245	399	427	149	9217
Jeff Whitehead	542	302	676	479	496	849	739	610	394	1026	913	[illegible]	176	152	145	117	54	214	376	415	146	9209
A. G. Willcox	543	301	643	487	485	819	724	612	383	980	916	[illegible]	184	171	135	114	58	229	384	415	147	9119
Mrs. S. J. Cochran	46	18	51	32	36	109	218	118	351	443	269	[illegible]	35	119	104	98	20	121	193	66	27	2604
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A total of 5,597 of the estimated 8,000 voters registered showed up at the polls in Northampton to give all candidates clear cut victories.

Incumbent J. Raynor Woodard of here has returned to the House of Representatives after a sweeping victory over challenger Joe Flythe, also of Conway, 3,733 - 1,736.

Woodard took a total of 15 of 17 precincts for the large majority victory. Flythe only carried Lasker and Rich Square.

In the hottest race, incumbent Commissioner Horace Guthrie recorded 2,788 votes to edge out Rufus Thompson, who polled a total of 2,367 votes.

H. C. Bottoms of Margarettsville got 3,733 votes to 1,811 for Seaboard mortician John W. Faison, a Negro, for the other seat on the county board.

In the only race for the board of education, incumbent chairman W. C. Conner of Rich Square polled 3,690 to 1,774 for W. C. Creecy, a Negro from Rich Square.

In the statewide race, Northampton went for Richardson Preyer for governor, giving him 2,331 votes to 2,115 for Beverly Lake and 1,079 for Dan Moore.

In other state races, John Jordan polled 2,242, Robert Scott 2,183 and Cliff Blue 638 for lieutenant governor.

Frank Crane polled 2,678 for labor commissioner to 975 for Frank Castlebury and 876 for John Wardell while insurance commissioner Ed Lanier polled 2,601 to 1,681 for John Whitley and 402 for John Frederick.

Here's how Northampton County voted Saturday by Precincts:

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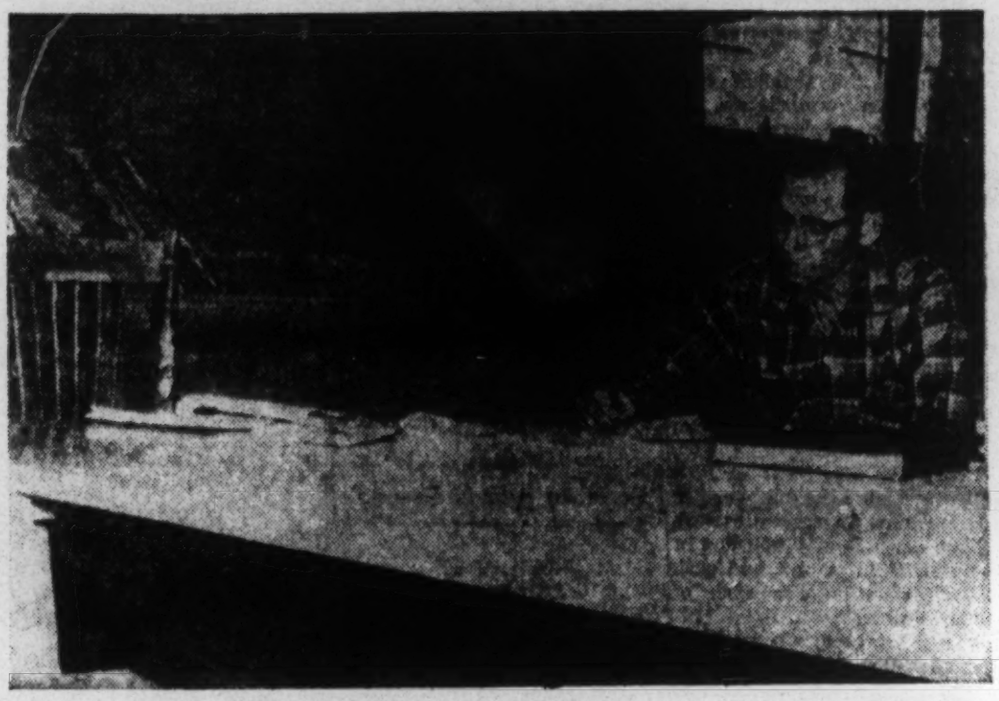

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Board of Elections member Wiley Connell of Roanoke Rapids said by telephone today that all registrars are on duty this week as U. S. District Judge John D. Larkins requested in an order Saturday.

"All precincts are in a position to take care of the increased number of people registering," Connell said. "No one was turned away because of a lack of time on Saturday."

Connell said notices concerning precincts being open for registration all this week through May 16 have been posted at the 21 polling places throughout the county and have been placed in all county newspapers and broadcast on county radio stations.

The Board of Elections Secretary said he had visited Roanoke Rapids Precinct No. 7 at 10 a. m. today and that only one person had registered as of that hour.

The Republican member of the Elections Board, S. H. Conger of Weldon, said in a telephone interview this morning, "As I see it now, election officials have complied to Judge Larkins' order to the best of their ability and qualified registrars have been appointed. The next step will be the hearing in Wilson this Wednesday."

In regard to the fact the registrars at Glenview and Enfield precincts resigned, Conger said, "These two persons did not resign because they wanted to, but because their jobs necessitated it. They had taken the registrar's position for the normal Saturday registrations which have been routine procedure in the past. The necessity of having to keep the polling places open all this week consequently conflicted with their jobs and that is the reason for their resignation."

Conger added that the cost to the county of keeping the polls open an extra five days is estimated at $1,575.

5-10-64

Halifax Registrars Are Charged Again

ENFIELD (UPI)—The Halifax voter movement charged Saturday that county registration officials continued a "slowdown" in the registration of Negro voters despite a federal restraining order.

Halifax County Elections Board Chairman Robert Shields said the order was not served on him until about 4 p.m.

The voter movement spokesman said his organization had protested the action by telephone to various U.S. Government officials, including the Justice Department and were "awaiting action on their part."

U.S. Eastern District Judge John Larkins signed the order Friday restraining precinct registrars from using alleged "slowdown" tactics to discourage Negro voter applicants.

He said that no longer than five minutes would be allowed for the qualifying of each applicants and that registrars should arrange for assistants when it appeared that applicants would have to wait 30 minutes or more to register.

John R. Salter, a member of the Halifax movement, said registrars were still taking 10 to 15 minutes to register persons Saturday.

Shields said county registrars and election board members also got copies of the order, but that he did not know at what time.

5-11-64

Two Voter Registrars Resign Halifax Posts

ENFIELD (UPI)—Two voter registrars in Halifax County, scene of a concentrated registration drive by Negroes, resigned and the Halifax Voter movement Sunday requested that a Negro be appointed to fill one of the posts.

The registrars in Enfield and Glenview resigned their posts. A telegram from the voter movement said the Enfield precinct was "overwhelmingly" Negro and asked that a Negro registrar be appointed.

County Elections Board Chairman Robert Shields said the Glenview registrar was already appointed, adding that the person was not a Negro. (He said, "I don't believe the law specifies that one (a Negro) has to be appointed."

He added that the Littleton registrar had also resigned, but said he would be replaced by 9 a.m. Monday. There are 21 registrars in the county, appointed by the Elections Board.

Hundreds of Negroes, who outnumber whites 32,000 to 23,000 in the county, have turned out during the past two weekends to register for the May 30 primary.

The Halifax Voter Movement has charged that registrars used a "deliberate slowdown" in registering Negroes and petitioned for a federal restraining order Friday.

U. S. District Judge John Larkins issued the order, which was served on Halifax officials Saturday, but Negro leaders said the alleged "slowdown" tactics continued and telephoned the U. S. Justice Department for action.

5-12-64

Books Open In Halifax

HALIFAX (AP)—As a result of a court order, registrars were at polling places at all of Halifax County's 21 precincts Monday, ready to register voter applicants, Robert Shields, chairman of the County Board of Elections, reported.

"And it's been mighty slow," Shields added. "Registraton has been slow throughout the county."

Shields said he arranged for the Halifax registrars to be at the polling places full time this week as the result of a court order signed last week by Federal District Judge John D. Larkins Jr.

Larkins signed the order after Morton Stavis, Newark, N. J., lawyer, accused the Halifax registrars of "slow-down" tactics with Negro registrants.

Stavis charged that about 1,000 Negroes were turned away on April 25 while about 525 were being registered. Larkins directed the registrars not to spend more than five minutes on each candidate for registration.

Shields said two of the Halifax registrars, at Enfield and Glenview, resigned because of the requirement to keep the registration open from 9 a.m. to sunset, Monday through Saturday. Shields explained that the registrars had thought they would have to work only on Saturdays when they took he job.

"Those who resigned did so because of business reasons and not because of any pressure," Shields stated. He said the two registrars were replaced.

In Warren County, where Negroes made similar complaints against what they called "slow-down" tactics, leaders said registration seemed to speed up over the weekend.

Mrs. Eva Clayton, co-chairman of the Warren group, added, however, that a 10-minute time limitation was being used by some registrars to reject Negro applicants.

She said the federal government is investigating the situation. No law suit has been filed in Warren County.

Letters To The Editor

5-12-64

Registration Editorial

Relative to your Editorial comments of May 10, it is unfortunate that a few irresponsible Registrars were allowed to put Halifax County 'on the spot'.

Many fair-minded people, of this County, have expressed their distaste for the "smelly events" that took place on May 2nd. Such action was unnecessary, and amounted to nothing more than a waste of public funds and time. We are pleased to note that corrective action has been taken.

If we have been embarrassed by the directives of a United States Court, let us remember the ones who brazenly invited the order. Let us also bless the Registrars who did not. As it has been said, "the rain falleth upon the just and the unjust."

The Editor's personal appraisal of this situation was interesting. It reminded us of that old saying, "A man's opinion is about as good as his information."

The Editor mentioned charges and counter-charges. Not once, however did he comment on the disgraceful incidents that occurred at registration precincts in Enfield, Weldon and Roanoke Rapids. Perhaps the Editor is unaware of the facts.

Otherwise, his column merely repeated lady Macbeth's unreasonable utterance, "out damned spot." He may remember there was no magic in Lady Macbeth's words. They came too late.

Your courtesy, for printing another sincere point of view, will be appreciated.

A. C. Cofield
Chairman, Halifax
Voters Movement
Weldon.

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Bard Cooperates With FBI

Offers All Registration Books For Rights Probe

By DICK KERN

HALIFAX — A team of Federal Bureau of Investigation agents is conducting an inquiry into allegations made by the Halifax Voter Movement against the Halifax County Board of Elections and its registrars on May 2.

It was reported the inquiry would begin this morning.

This was affirmed last night when three of the six agents who toured several precincts Monday morning and afternoon met here with county elections board officials and their attorneys to request assistance in obtaining information concerning the May 2 registration activity at four specific precincts.

Julius Banzet of the law firm of Banzet and Banzet of Warrenton, retained by the elections board to assist in the matter, said the FBI men represented the Civil Rights Division of the Justice Department and the inquiry was in no way connected with the restraining order issued May 8 by Federal Judge John Larkins. This order directed all county precincts be open each week day through May 16 for the purpose of registering voters. The polls normally are open only on Saturdays.

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public," a thing "we'll leave up to you if you want them to leave."

Swain explained "This is an official government inquiry and it is not our policy to talk confidentially before newsmen. The board can make a statement on what we say after the conference, but we would prefer just the board and its attorneys present."

Hall asked if "a record is kept" and was told "no" and then Shields asked if "we could have a secretary takes notes" and was given the same answer.

Upon being assured a statement would be given after the conference, the three news representatives left and the FBI men went into conference with the board and attorneys at 9:24 p. m. The discussion lasted 19 minutes, ending at 9:43 p. m.

Julius Banzet then released a statement on behalf of the board, saying:

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In addition to the Banzets, those meeting with the FBI representatives were County Attorney Rom Parker, Elections Board Chairman Robert Shields of Scotland Neck and board member S. H. Conger of Weldon.

Board member Wiley Connell left prior to the conference to take his wife, who is a registrar, home.

Eight of the county's 21 registrars, plus two former registrars, also were present in the Halifax Courthouse at the request of the elections board so they could be available if the FBI men had any questions They were not questioned last night, but several had been earlier in the day.

Those present were Mrs. Dollie Elmore of Precinct One, Mrs. Irene Bell of Two, E. S. Stainback of Three, Mrs. Myntice Heuay of Four, Mrs. Wiley Connell of Five, Mrs. D. M. Chestnut of Six and Jesssie Love of Seven, all Roanoke Rapids; and George Joyner of Weldon One.

Also present were E. M. Page, who was registrar at Weldon Two on May 2 and R. C. Dickens, who was Enfield registrar the same day. Both have since resigned due to business reasons.

While waiting for the FBI men to arrive, these registrars signed an affadavit before Clerk of Court J. C. Taylor.

This affiadavit was in connection with Wednesday's hearing on the restraining order at 4 p. m. in Raleigh before Judge Larkins. The paper stated the registrars were not involved in a conspiracy against prospective Negro voters as alleged in Larkins' restraining order and that a meeting held with the elections board earlier this month was only to receive instructions designed to speed up the registration.

When all the registrars had been told by Parker they could go home, after signing the affadavit, Parker informed the Elections Board members present — Shields and Conger (Connell had left) — that the FBI representatives wanted a brief conference with the board members and attorneys.

The group went into the court's jury room, with Publisher Don Hall and Editor Dick Kern of the Roanoke Rapids Herald and Radio Station WCBT News Director Sel Mann also entering the room.

L. J. Swain, FBI agent in charge, asked "are there any newsmen present" and Parker pointed out the trio, stating the "board has no secrets from the press." Mann then Shields asked if "we could have a secretary takes notes" and was given the same answer.

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"The board members and attorneys were informed that the members of the FBI were making the inquiries at the direction of an assistant attorney general, Burke Marshall, who is the chief of the Civil Rights Division of the U. S. Justice Department. It also was stated it was possible the FBI representatives would come back at a later date to interview other registrars," Banzet concluded.

The Justice Department inquiry stems from a telegram sent on May 2 by A. C. Cofield of Weldon, chairman of the Halifax Voter Movement which is pushing Negro registration in the county, to the Justice Department, the county and state elections boards and Gov. Terry Sanford.

This telegram alleged a "slow-up initiated by registrars in registration of prospective Negro voters. . .right now occurring in several precincts in Halifax County. Very excessive periods of time are being taken to register each person. Prime examples of this are now occurring in Enfield and Precinct Two in Weldon, among others."

Cofield's telegram continued "we hold this slow-up to be deliberately initiated in order to continue the disenfranchisement of Negro people in the county."

This telegram resulted in one May 4 by Shields to the Justice Department which said the charges were "unfounded" and which further stated "the elections board will welcome a full investigation by your department."

Shields also pointed out "the time it takes an applicant to register is his responsibility. He or she must fill out the applications and then copy one or more lines from the State Constitution to establish literacy, according to the law."

In his restraining order, Judge Larkins set the time limit at five minutes — a policy put into effect May 9 and being continued this week during the every day registration.

Eleven Negro candidates are running for county offices in Halifax, where Negroes outnumber whites 32,00 to 26,000 but has only 1,500 registered to 16,000 for whites in the 1960 census.

During the past two weeks, it is estimated approximately 750 Negroes have been added to the books.

Registration yesterday was reported by Shields as "very light" except for a brief flourish in Enfield, where more than 30 registered.

Who's On First?

(EDITORIAL)

The furor over voter registration in Halifax and Warren counties is, in essence, a grim and serious business.

At the same time, it has its comic and ironic aspects.

In Warren, a Negro leader is complaining about the ten minute limit a registrar has to register an applicant. The leader complains this is not long enough.

In Halifax, Negro leaders sought a speed-up in the registration time limit before Federal Judge John Larkins. The jurist set the time limit at five minutes.

Who's on first?

In Warren, ten minutes is not long enough!

In Halifax, six minutes is too long!

What gives?

5-13-64

FBI Men In Halifax

HALIFAX (AP) — Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation have begun an investigation of charges brought by Negroes against Halifax County voter registrars.

Three FBI agents met Monday night with members of the county board of elections and attorneys and requested assistance in the investigation.

The probe resulted from a complaint sent to the Department of Justice May 2 by A. C. Cofield of Weldon, chairman of the Halifax voter movement which is pushing a Negro voter registration drive.

Changes Made

Cofield, who sent copies of his telegram to Gov. Terry Sanford and the state and county boards of election, accused some of the Halifax registrars of deliberate "slow down" tactics in order to keep the number of Negroes registered to a minimum. He complained of the registrars' activity at four precincts—Weldon One and Two, Enfield and Roanoke Rapids.

Julius Banzet of Warrenton, attorney for the county board of elections, said the FBI agents represented the civil rights division of the Department of Justice.

Welcomed Probe

About two days after Cofield made his complaint, Robert Shields, chairman of the county board of elections, sent the Justice Department a wire saying the charges were false and that he would welcome an investigation.

Meanwhile, Federal Judge John D. Larkins issued an order which, in effect, required the Halifax registrars to keep their registration books open at the polling places for registrants all this week. A hearing on this order will be held in Raleigh Wednesday.

The Wednesday hearing will determine whether the order will be extended beyond Thursday.

Judge Larkins' order barred registrars from spending more than five minutes qualifying any applicant for registration.

He further ordered that when applicants to register were in line that three applicants should be processed simultaneously.

Hailifax registrars also were ordered to give immediate public notice of places where applicants might register to vote on week days other than Saturdays.

Judge Larkins further order that more assistant registr. be designated when it appeared that waiting time to register would exceed 30 minutes.

Rights Act

The order was obtained under the Civil Rights Act.

Negroes, who are offering candidates for county offices, claimed that large numbers of their race were being deprived of the privilege to register.

An attorney serving as spokesmen for the Negroes said that more than 1,000 were waiting to register when the registration places were closed at sundown last Saturday.

Banzet said the FBI agents requested the names of persons who had registered and the names of some who had been rejected for registration in the four precincts. Presumably they want to question them.

Halifax County has a larger Negro population than of whites. Some 11 Negro candidates have filed for office in this year's elections.

5-13-64

Good Sense Guidelines

Halifax County has moved toward compliance with the guidelines given by federal Judge John D. Larkins for the registration of voters.

Judge Larkins had found sufficient merit in the complaints made by Negroes of "slowdown" tactics to direct that registrars not spend more than five minutes on each candidate for registration. It is a sensible guideline and should be followed.

Certainly a registrar should be able to determine in five minutes if a citizen seeking to vote is able to read and write to a sufficient degree to determine whom and for what he is voting.

The right to vote is a basic right and there should be no need for congressional civil rights legislation to guarantee that right. Rigid rules and phony restraints, however, not only invite such legislation but will hasten its passage.

There should be some qualifications, of course, for voting, but they should be fairly stated and fairly administered. The literacy test required in North Carolina of prospective voters is not unreasonable when properly applied. In recent years there have been few complaints of voter registration abuses, but where there is a single complaint of denial of the vote by unfair methods then the State itself should take remedial action.

It should not be necessary for a citizen or a group of citizens to appeal for relief to the federal courts. But when local government and State government fail in the protection of an individual's rights then the force of the federal courts is not only proper but necessary.

Those were good sense guidelines laid down by Judge Larkins. They should be followed.

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Vote Order In Halifax Is Clarified

By LAURIE HOLDER JR.

Federal Judge John Larkins ruled Wednesday that with one exception Halifax County election officials have complied with a court order to speed up voter registration procedures.

The exception, said the judge, resulted from a misinterpretation of his order that registrars take no longer than five minutes to test a single voter for literacy.

Judge Larkins issued the order last Friday after Negroes in Halifax County had complained that registrars were engaging in slow-down tactics in the registration of Negroes.

"It was not intended, of course, that the applicant should be cut off in the middle of a sentence," Judge Larkins said at a hearing here Wednesday. "The spirit of the order is what I expected to be carried out."

The hearing was called by the judge to determine whether his order restraining Halifax officials from delaying registration of voters should be made permanent.

Larkins said he was "convinced that an effort has been made by respondents to comply" with the U. S. Eastern District Court order.

He ordered that his restraining order be dissolved as of today, and said he will enter a modified order this morning clarifying the five-minute time limit.

Provisions of Order

The restraining order had instructed elections officials to:

—Process three applicants for registration at the same time when lines formed.

—Give immediate notice of registration places—other than registrars' homes—where citizens could register conveniently.

—Appoint assistant registrars in precincts where activity was heavy.

Later the judge amended the order to provide a longer period of registration in the county and to replace a registrar who had resigned in Enfield Township.

Rom Parker, attorney for the Halifax County elections board, said at Wednesday's hearing that State elections laws do not permit extra days of registration or "assistant registrars" who can give the oath to applicants. Judge Larkins said he found this to be true when he talked to James Bullock, assistant State attorney general.

But Parker said the Halifax elections board had changed registration places to the polling places, instead of registrars' homes, and said special clerical workers have been named and are "standing by" if they are needed in certain precincts.

Denies Slow-Down

Robert Shields, chairman of the elections board, told the judge that elections personnel had never been told "by us or by me to slow down registration anywhere in the county. In fact, we tried to keep it as fast as possible."

Morton Stavis, New York attorney for the Negro plaintiffs, charged that Shields had turned Judge Larkins' order "upside down" and had issued a state-

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and writing tests, within five minutes.

Shields said that was the way he interpreted the order. He said he also stated in his instructions to registrars that applicants who failed to qualify in five minutes could reapply or appeal to the elections board.

Stavis charged that "many people were turned down" last Saturday after the restraining order was issued, because of Shields' interpretation of the five-minute rule.

The attorney asked that the judge issue a new order to provide for federal marshals to sit at registration places to see that fair procedures are followed this Saturday. These marshals, he said, should record names and keep up with the time taken for applicants to register.

Modified Order

But Judge Larkins said he felt the situation doesn't call for such strict provisions. He asked Stavis, defense attorney Frank Banzet and Bill Joslin, chairman of the State Board of Elections, to submit a proposed modified order today to clear up the five-minute provision.

"I'm going to see to it that the voters are not cut off because of any five-minute proposition," said the judge.

At the end of the hearing, Judge Larkins asked Banzet to inform Warren County of the Halifax situation, to prevent a similar situation there.

T. T. Clayton, who sat with Stavis, Samuel Mitchell and William Kuntsler as attorneys for the Negro plaintiffs, said he had come prepared to institute action on behalf of Warren voters if Judge Larkins had not issued his warning.

Here Is Complete Report On Registration Hearing In Raleigh

BY DICK KERN

RALEIGH — Yesterday's hearing in U. S. Eastern District Court here before Judge John Larkins on a motion for a permanent injunction against alleged "slowdown" tactics in the registration of Negro voters in Halifax County consumed more than two hours before the judge handed down his decisions.

These decisions are contained on the today's front page.

In the public interest, in the order it occurred, here is what transpired yesterday in Raleigh:

The Halifax Voter Movement, which brought the motion for the injunction against County Attorney Rom Parker and the Board of Elections, was represented by Attorneys Samuel Mitchell of Raleigh, Morton Stavis of Newark, N. J., William Kunstler of New York, N. Y. and T. T. Clayton of Warrenton.

The County Board of Elections was represented by Frank and Julius Banzet of Warrenton and Parker.

In opening the hearing, Judge Larkins explained the hearing was on the call for a permanent injunction, the temporary restraining or ed to expire (Judge Lark a burden on (the Board of cause why a tion should n Frank Banz Judge Larkin affadavits sig its chairman the 21 regis media in the ing proper le been given on tion ruling co straining orde Judge Larki sel for the H ment had be davits, then minute recess could be stud When the the Judge o by explaining ished reading get to read presented me restraining o but I had re time to issue "I also ov in my comm jor items se cause' moti May 11 at quest. These cerned:

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"(2) That the Court appoint assistant registrars in those five precincts.

"(3) That the Court appoint a registrar in the Enfield precinct.

"But we will handle this and the respondents (Elections Board) motion for dismissal later. Now, coming back to the original motion. Does the respondent have any statement to make," Judge Larkins asked.

Affadavits

Frank Banzet replied "we understand there will be no oral testimony. . . .since the Court desires to hear the case on affadavits only."

Judge Larkins then called Rom Parker to the stand, to speak on an affadavit he had submitted.

In quoting from Parker's affadavit, Judge Larkins read: "You say you contacted the State Board of Elections and the Attorney General's office May 9 to obtain information clarifying points raised by the injunction. You asked if the Court or the Board had the authority to appoint assistant registrars where there were great numbers of registration applicants."

Parker said "yes. . .and I was informed by the attorney general's office the law said the board could not appoint assistant registrars, but could appoint clerks to assist in handing out forms, keeping them in order and listing them in the registration book. "It was stated the oath and test must be given only by the registrar."

Judge Larkins then read Sections 163.15, 163.14(4) and 163.8 (1) which pertained to these election laws as enacted by the General Assembly. He then asked "what action, if any, has the board taken on this?"

Parker replied "the Board appointed clerical help for the five precincts and these persons are standing by for use when needed. They have not been used this week, since the registration Monday and Tuesday was light." (These names later were read to the Court by Judge Larkins).

Judge Larkins then asked what the Monday and Tuesday registration figures were and Parker asked that Chairman Shields read the figures from his affadavit.

Chairman Explains

registration, we called all the registrars to a meeting in the Halifax Courthouse to tell them to do the best job they could. We did not give any instructions to 'slow down' the registration but did everything we could to expedite it."

Judge Larkins then said "The Court is interested in what happened after May 8. The Court felt five minutes would be long enough to qualify an applicant What action was taken?"

Shields said "the slowness was not caused by the registrars on May 2. . .but by the applicant. Registration can take from 2½ minutes to an hour. . .. and that was the procedure May 2. We have used five minutes as a limit since then, as the court ordered."

The Judge then asked "any idea how many were turned away" to which Shields replied "no record could possibly be made of this."

In answer to Judge Larkins' question "what action was taken on registering three or more where a long line existed on May 9," he was told by Shields "we did this."

Shields also told the judge public notices had been posted after May 8 on each precinct door and published in the paper and on the radio concerning the restraining order and the five minute limit.

Shields further told the Court "prior to the May 9 registration, the policy of the registrar was to have the applicant write a short section of the Constitution from the law book, but after the injunction, we told them to use the shortest section, which is just one line."

Judge Larkins asked where the books are being kept and was told "in the polling places, except on Monday the Enfield registrar was allowed to take them to his place of employment, the J. W. Whitaker Store."

When asked if any registrars had resigned after May 8, Shields said two had but had been replaced.

Judge Larkins asked "what action had been taken on providing assistants or clerical help" and Shields said "these were appointed and if needed, will be ready."

Cross - Examine

Attorney Stavis then cross-examined Shields and Parker, who were the only Halifax County officials to testify.

Stavis asked Parker "Do you know how many people registered on May 2 or how many were turned away or left?" Parker said he was "out of the county all day May 2."

"Do you know how many failed the test on May 9, although they had gotten somewhat through the section but not completed it?" Stavis asked. Shields said "no."

"You have the applicant write in a composition book. What is done with these books?" Stavis said.

Shields replied they will be kept by the registrar until the polls close May 16 then will be turned over to him for filing with the clerk of court.

When asked if he knew "how many were registered or turned away at the Enfield poll May 9," Shields said he did not know.

Banzet then asked Shields "after the restraining order was received, did you give any registrar any instructions to make discrimination between applicants" and was told "no."

Stavis then asked if "you will concede Saturday is the heaviest day for registration" and was informed that "it is since more folks are off work that day."

The Newark attorney then told Judge Larkins he had two additional affadavits on actions in Enfield following serving of the restraining order.

Dismisses One

Judge Larkins then turned to the "show cause" motion filed May 11, on which the County Elections Board had filed a dismissal motion.

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Judge Larkins said the FBI was given approval by him to conduct the inquiry.

Summation

Then the Judge called for summations with Stavis leading off.

Stavis said "According to Mr. Shields' interpretation of the restraining order, if the test was not completed in entirety in five minutes, then the applicant was disqualified. . .the Literacy Law is not based on completion, we are reminded, but on comprehension. . .your (Judge Larkins') order was turned around so it could be called a 'new form of the five minute rule' so, in rejecting applicants, they could blame the Court. In so doing, many of the electorate was denied a right to vote, thus violating the 15th Amendment.

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"I also would like to commend the Elections Board Chairman. . .this is your first term and you certainly have had your baptism by fire. . .and I would further suggest that Mr. Banzet take the points made here today back to Warren County," Larkins added.

Stavis asked if "Mr. Joslin could assist us in drawing up this motion" and Joslin agreed.

Stavis also made one more effort to "let those who already have taken the test but not completed the section, be put on the books" but Judge Larkins denied this, saying "there still are three more days to register. . .they can go back under this new order."

Judge Larkins also stressed "the Elections Board has been directed to conduct this registration properly. . .and you (the Halifax Voter Movement) have the same obligation to see it is done in an orderly manner."

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Parker said "yes. . .and I was informed by the attorney general's office the law said the board could not appoint assistant registrars, but could appoint clerks to assist in handing out forms, keeping them in order and listing them in the registration book. "It was stated the oath and test must be given only by the registrar."

Judge Larkins then read Sections 163.15, 163.14(4) and 163.8 (1) which pertained to these election laws as enacted by the General Assembly. He then asked "what action, if any, has the board taken on this?"

Parker replied "the Board appointed clerical help for the five precincts and these persons are standing by for use when needed. They have not been used this week, since the registration Monday and Tuesday was light." (These names later were read to the Court by Judge Larkins).

Judge Larkins then asked what the Monday and Tuesday registration figures were and Parker asked that Chairman Shields read the figures from his affadavit.

Chairman Explains

The figures were not totaled, but itemized by precincts, so the Judge then asked Shields when he had been appointed, the board sworn in and what the registrars were told.

Shields said he was appointed Aug. 20 and the board (S. H. Conger of Weldon and Wiley Connell of Roanoke Rapids are the other two members) was sworn in Aug. 28.

He added "the poll holders were appointed at a later date and, since we had been informed by the Halifax Voter Movement there would be a mass

door and published in the paper and on the radio concerning the restraining order and the five minute limit.

Shields further told the Court "prior to the May 9 registration, the policy of the registrar was to have the applicant write a short section of the Constitution from the law book, but after the injunction, we told them to use the shortest section, which is just one line."

Judge Larkins asked where the books are being kept and was told "in the polling places, except on Monday the Enfield registrar was allowed to take them to his place of employment, the J. W. Whitaker Store."

When asked if any registrars had resigned after May 8, Shields said two had but had been replaced.

Judge Larkins asked "what action had been taken on providing assistants or clerical help" and Shields said "these were appointed and if needed, will be ready."

Cross - Examine

Attorney Stavis then cross-examined Shields and Parker, who were the only Halifax County officials to testify.

Stavis asked Parker "Do you know how many people registered on May 2 or how many were turned away or left?" Parker said he was "out of the county all day May 2."

Stavis then asked "what polls were open the week of May 2-9" and Parker said "any registrar can register people at his home, at his convenience" but he understood "the Enfield poll was open Tuesday and Thursday night."

"Was any notice given," Stavis asked. "Did you not visit the poll one of those nights? Do you know how many were registered those nights?" to which Parker replied he had visited the poll briefly, but I do not know how many were registered."

Stavis then asked "On May 2 is it not a fact applicants were registered one at a time?" Parker replied he was "out of the county. . .I do not know."

Judge Larkins then interrupted the cross - examination to state "I took as true the affadavits submitted me (on May 8) or else I would not have issued the order. I want to limit the questioning to see if the order has been complied with."

Stavis then asked Parker "On May 9 did you not prepare a statement for Mr. Shields to read it to you: 'Judge Larkins has ordered five minutes as the time limit to complete registration. If the applicant is not qualified, he or she can try again at a later date or either appeal to the Elections Board.' "

Parker said he knew of the statement read to the registrars, but did not prepare it.

Stavis asked Parker if "any assistant registrars had been appointed May 9" and was told "no, since the legality of that was a point of concern. I contacted Judge Larkins and he suggested I contact the attorney general, which I did, his answer being previously presented."

Back On Stand

"Do you have any registration figures for May 9," Stavis asked, to which Parker replied "no" as his testimony ended and Shields returned to the stand.

Stavis asked if Shields had any "registration figures for May 2 or May 9" and was told "no."

Shields then was asked "before the restraining order was issued, had you told the registrars that even if the applicant had written some of the section required, but had not finished, to disqualify him for not completing it?" Shields answered "no."

Stavis then asked "then you interpreted the order to mean the applicant had to complete the section in five minutes?"

Shields said he was following the five minute ruling on qualification.

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Under questioning by the Judge, Joslin said the State Board does not have authority to intervene directly into such cases but in the case of Warren County (where similiar charges had been made by Negro voters), he had, on request, suggested to Warren Elections Board Chairman Wiley Coleman that 10 minutes should be sufficient for registering.

Judge Larkins then asked Joslin "so far as Halifax County is concerned, you have been contacted only by Attorney Parker and the telegrams from the Halifax Voter Movement."

Joslin said this was true and "we never reply to any plantiffs in such cases, but deal through the Boards of Election."

Parker said Joslin had told him on the phone and then by letter the same thing he had suggested to the Warren County Board.

FBI Report

FBI Agent James Akers of Kinston told how he and three other agents had made observations at several polls on May 11 and 12, but these observations concerned only "the number of those entering the polls, race, how long they stayed, etc." but no interviews. Akers also said the information was not available at this time on the statistics or what other agents in-

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"I did not intend this rule to act as 'stop watch'. . . for it is imperative that every American be afforded an opportunity to qualify to vote. . . we are not dealing with statistics, but with human beings. I feel everyone should get a 'fair shake.'

"This temporary injunction would have expired Thursday, except for this unfortunte interpretation. The Court therefore directs this particular point be modified and suggests a re-writing of Mr. Shields' statement (to the registrars). . . with Mr. Banzet and Mr. Stavis

Judge Modifies 'Five Minute' Ruling

'Reasonable' Time Cited To Complete Registering

RALIEGH — Federal Judge John D. Larkins today signed a preliminary injunction submitted by the Halifax County Board of Elections' attorneys which will allow Halifax County registrars more than five minutes in which to register prospective applicants as voters.

This morning's action in U. S. Federal Court climaxed two days of a hearing on a permanent injunction asked against the Elections Board by the Halifax Voter Movement.

At the same time, Judge Larkins dismissed, on a motion by the Elections Board attorneys, a "show cause" motion submitted by the Halifax Voter Movement last Monday.

In signing the two orders this morning, Judge Larkins called on both Negroes and the registrars to exercise restraint and to cooperate with the court. "There is no excuse why applicants, both white and Negro, should not be able to register in the next three days," he said. The registration deadline is May 16.

Larkins said his earlier instructions that not more than five minutes be devoted to each applicant was not meant as a final order, and that registrars should adhere to the spirit of the ruling and not necessarily the letter of it.

Negro applicants complained that Halifax County registrars had interpreted the order to mean that if an applicant was not registered within the five minute period, he was dismissed.

The injunction, drawn up by attorneys representing the registrars, was amended slightly and then approved by the Negroes attorney.

The ruling restrained the registrars "from directly or indirectly adopting a course of action by which more time to qualify Negro applicants for registration is spent than is the case with white applicants."

Larkins further ordered that precinct registrars register all qualified applicants provided that the time limit of five minutes for registering each applicant be used "as a guide and that a reasonable extension will be granted each applicant."

Larkins also ordered that registrars permit three applicants to be processed for registration at the same time "whenever it appears that applicants to register are in line."

The five - minute controversy arose from a May 8 ruling by Larkins to prevent the registrars from refusing to accept for registration persons who take longer than five minutes to qualify.

The Halifax Voter Movement which is heading a drive for increased Negro registered voters objected to this interpretation.

In Wednesday's court session Larkins told election board attorney Julius Banzet, who is from Warren County, to inform Warren County officials of his desire that the spirit of the five minute instructions be carried out "so we won't have additional hearings."

Testimony Is On Page 2

After hearing testimony yesterday, Judge Larkins directed attorneys for the Elections Board and the Halifax Voter Movement to "get together on a modification of the five minute rule."

Attorneys could not agree yesterday, so each submitted separate orders and today Judge Larkins approved the one presented by the Elections Board.

The order read:

(1) The Court finds the defendant board has complied with the former court order except that the court orders no more time be spent registering Negro applicants than white.

(2) That all qualified applicants be registered.

(3) That the five minute time limit is approved, subject to a reasonable extension if needed to complete the test.

(4) That registrars are to process three applicants at a time when there is a line waiting.

Judge Larkins' second order dismissed the Movement's May 11 motion which had called for appointment of assistants in all precincts; appointment of a registrar and assistant by the Court for Enfield precinct; and extension of the registration time seven days.

The Judge said the Election board had complied with the first two items already and he felt the Court "has no authority to extend registration since even those previously disqualified still have an opportunity to requalify before registration ends."

County Attorney Rom Parker said this morning "we are satisfied completely with the outcome. We feel we have absolutely cleared the board of elections and registrars and now hope the final registration days will be days of cooperation and restraint as the judge asked of both registrars and applicants."

Polls are open all day today, Friday and Saturday at regular polling places.

Restraint, Cooperation

(Editorial)

The Federal judge has spoken again.

Today he called on both "the registrars and the Negroes to exercise restraint and to cooperate with the court" in carrying out his modified preliminary injunction on registration in Halifax County.

There are three days left in which to register.

There is no excuse, in those three days, why applicants—both white and Negro—should not be able to register, as Judge Larkins says.

We pray that for the good of Halifax County and our State and Federal laws, that restraint and cooperation will be the guiding force during those three days.

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VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: Halifax County Voter Education Project

Period covered by this report: From May 2, 1964 to May 9, 1964

Person reporting A. Reed Johnson

P. O. Box 626 — Enfield — Halifax — North Carolina
Street Address — City — County — State

Date submitted: May 15, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Halifax

Ward, Beat, etc. — Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 2000

Number instructed at home 1200

Number instructed at clinics 3000

Number instructed other places 1500 a. Specify places

Public schools, churches, P. T. A. meetings

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 2000

Number successfully registered by this project this week 1000 ?, WB

Number denied registration in this project this week 1000 ?, RTB

a. Reason for denial Slow-down by registrars, literacy tests, rigid adherence to five-minute time limit for literacy tests

Number contacted by other means 4000

a. Specify means Leafleting on streets, radio announcements, posters

Number refusing to participate 2000

a. Reason for refusing to participate Fear of reprisals, apathy, illiteracy

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 1000

Number of workers in the campaign 60 part-time and 4 full-time

Remarks Federal Court order speeded up registration in some precincts; in others many were disqualified because they could not complete literacy test within five-minute time limit.

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Shields Praised For Registration Efforts

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The Chairman of the Halifax County Board of Elections was praised as a man who had unfortunately "had his baptism of fire" in dealing with election problems but had made every effort consistent with his interpretation of the laws and the court's orders to provide registration on the voter's books for every citizen of Halifax County who desire the privilege.

Judge John D. Larkins, Jr. made the statements concerning Robert C. Shields, Chairman of the Halifax County Board of Elections, as he dissolved a restraining order that he had issued last Friday calling on the Halifax election officials to refrain from delaying registration of voters, and which he had amended last Tuesday.

After the testimony was heard in Federal Court at Raleigh on Wednesday afternoon on the question of making the temporary order permanent Judge Larkins said that the election officials apparently had complied with the terms of the court order to speed up registration except in one particular, that of limiting the time for any single registration to five minutes. Judge Larkins said that in his order when he had stated "five minutes" he had not meant it to be interpreted too literally. The complaining persons represented by Morton Stavis, New York attorney for a number of Negroes and one Negro organization, had complained that he had affidavits to the effect that Mr. Shields had turned Judge Larkins' order "upside down" when he issued a statement telling registrars to obey the court's orders implicitly and limit registration of any one person to five minutes.

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some persons because of lack of ability to meet the registration requirements expeditiously had taken long intervals of time to go through the procedure and this probably had slowed down registrations in certain places, but that every effort was made to aid the applicants within the limits of the law.

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Called to the stand to testify Mr. Shields said that at no time had either he or any member of the Halifax County Board of Elertions told the registrars "to slow down registration anywhere in the county. In fact we tried to keep it as fast as possible." He also explained that at the outset his Board had worked on the theory that every citizen desiring to register should be given an opportunity and that these were the instructions to the registrars. However, he said

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N.O. 5-15-64

New Order Entered in Halifax Case

Federal Judge John Larkins signed a new preliminary injunction Thursday to prevent discrimination against Negro voters who try to register in Halifax County.

At the same time, he dismissed an injunction issued last Friday after Negroes from Halifax complained that registrars were taking too long to qualify them to vote.

The prior injunction called for several measures to halt discrimination, including employment of additional registration personnel and a cutdown on the time for qualifying voters. Judge Larkins ruled at a hearing Wednesday in U. S. Eastern District Court here that elections officials in Halifax had sufficiently complied with that injunction, except for a

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misinterpretation of the registration time limit.

The new injunction provides that the five-minute limit for qualifying any individual to vote "shall be used as a guide and that a reasonable extension will be granted each applicant."

Morton Stavis, attorney for several Negro voters in Halifax, had charged Wednesday that Robert Shields, Halifax elections board chairman, turned the time limit provision "upside down" and had registrars to cut off applicants where the five minutes were up, even when they had finished all but a few words of the reading and writing requirements for literacy testing.

The new injunction also provides—as did the first one—that "whenever it appears that applicants to register are in line," registrars will "permit three applicants to be processed for registration at the same time."

The injunction, said Judge Larkins, restrains and enjoins elections authorities "from directly or indirectly adopting a course of action by which more time qualifying Negro applicants."

The judge signed the order Thursday morning, providing that it will remain in effect "pending further orders of this court."

Judge Larkins stated in the new injunction that the five-minute time limit was being modified because it "is likely to cause hardship in certain cases."

FREEDOM

Mass Meeting

"Politics And The Freedom Movement"

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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

WELDON, NORTH CAROLINA

SUNDAY, MAY 17, 4:30 p.m.

Halifax Voters Movement
ENFIELD, NORTH CAROLINA — 445-4671

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Despite a federal restraining order, Negro voters in Halifax County charged that county registration officials were continuing a "slowdown" in registering them . . . State Supt. of Public Instruction Charles F. Carroll said that on a typical day, 120,000 children (10 per cent of the enrollment) arrive at school without having had breakfast, and of the 120,000, some 35,000 also go without lunch. . . . William McDonald III, of Hickory was elected president of the N.C. Junior Chamber of Commerce . . . Secretary of the Navy Paul H. Nitze, on a visit to the state, said that no Naval or Marine bases in North Carolina will be cut back or demobilized . . . Dr. James L. Price, Jr., chairman of the Department of Religion at Duke University, was named dean of Duke's Trinity College by President Douglas Knight. . . . Robert P. Holding, Jr. of First Citizens National Bank, Smithfield, was elected president of the N.C. Bankers Association.

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Halifax — County
North Carolina — State

Date submitted: May 18, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Halifax County

Ward, Beat, etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 500

Number instructed at home 100

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Number instructed other places 1000 a. Specify places

Churches, schools, P. T. A. meetings

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 1200

Number successfully registered by this project this week 1000

Number denied registration in this project this week 200

a. Reason for denial Literacy test

Number contacted by other means 3700

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Number refusing to participate 2500

a. Reason for refusing to participate Already registered, apathy, intimidation, illiteracy

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 2020

Number of workers in the campaign 60 part-time and 4 full-time

Remarks Federal court judge ordered five-minute time limit on literacy test changed to "reasonable" time. Registrars were ordered to keep books open during the week. Beautiful registration period!

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Registration Ends In Peace

Halifax County's heaviest and most controversial registration in history came to a peaceful close at sundown yesterday without incident.

Elections Board Chairman Robert Shields of Scotland Neck said "everything went smoothly and the Board appreciates the cooperation of all concerned."

Shields said he did not have complete registration figures, but will have by Monday. He did say registration was heavy in several precincts and that the Board used assistant registrars in Enfield, Roanoke Rapids Seven, Weldon, Faucetts and Butterwood, the heavy registration areas.

Polls were open all week under a Federal judge's order which was based on allegations of a "slow down" in registration. The Halifax Voter Movement made the charges, which were aired Wednesday before Judge John Larkins in Raleigh.

Larkins ruled the Elections Board had met all requirements except on interpreting a "five minute" registration time period he included in his restraining order which kept the polls open. This point was cleared up Thursday when Judge Larkins directed "reasonable time" be used in registering applicants, with the five minutes only as a "guideline."

The Halifax Voter Movement was pushing Negro registration since only 1,500 had registered prior to May 2 and there are 11 Negro candidates for county offices.

"White" precincts — no Negro residents

Recent Registration Added 1,895 Whites, 2,022 Negroes To List

Registration to vote in the Democratic primary during the last three Saturdays, and the extra five days ordered by Judge John D. Larkins, Jr. of the United States District Court resulted in 1,895 white citizens being added to the registration books and 2,022 Negro citizens.

The total registration strength for the Democratic primary in Halifax County is now 19,123. This is composed of 15,469 white democrats and 3,654 Negro democrats.

The division of registration between the two races for the past three weeks is as follows by precincts:

	White	Col.
Butterwood	19	31
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Halifax	91	95
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Hollister	16	74
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Weldon No. 2	203	313
	1895	2022

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Scot. Neck	1444	470	1914
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Enfield Progress
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Primary Balloting Due Tomorrow

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In the board of education election, there are five incumbents, two newcomers and the five Negroes. Education board members are voted on county-wide with the top seven being elected.

In addition to the five Negroes already named, those seeking Board of Education seats are Mrs. Joyce H. Shearin of the Davie Community, Board Chairman C. M. Moore Jr. of Littleton, C. H. Leggett Jr. of Hobgood, Henry L. Harrison of Scotland Neck, A. G. Willcox Jr. of Enfield, Mrs. Arthur Louis Williams of Darlington and Jeff Whitehead of Enfield.

Other county coroner candidates include W. H. Crawford, William L. Pace, Roy L. Creasy Jr. and Victor Jasper Burm, all of Roanoke Rapids.

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Saturday, May 9 & Saturday May 16

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SAMPLE BALLOT

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Primary Election, May 30, 1964.

Robert C. Shields

Chairman, Halifax County Board of Elections

Letters To The Editor 5-31-64

Ever Asked About Help?

Why have our Negro citizens never asked why these outsiders are allegedly "helping" them?

One of these outsiders who has been in Halifax County is John R. Salter, Jr. Salter is listed on the masthead of "The Southern Patriot" as a Field Organizer of the Southern Conference Educational Fund (SCEF). "The Southern Patriot" is cited in the list of communist and communist front publications on Page 200 of "Guide to Subervise Organizations. . ."

In Report No. 4 of The Joint Committee on Un-American Activities, State of Louisiana, on page 106 and 107 a letter dated July 27, 1963 identified as signed by Carl Braden is reproduced. Carl Braden is also a Field Organizer for SCEF and was identified by Mrs. Alberta Ahearn, an undercover agent for the FBI, as a member of the communist party (Congressional Record, 88th Congress Page 14954). The first two paragraphs of this letter read as follows:

"I am sending this special delivery to your home because Anne said you might be conferring with John Salter this weekend. I definitely think you should have a long talk with him before employing him. He should understand our aims and methods.

"It is my thought that John is the ideal person for the Louisiana - Mississippi - Arkansas - East Texas area, as outlined in our division of labor at the June staff conference. He is young and tough enough to do what needs to be done."

This is what the identified Communist Carl Braden has to say about a man who has been "helping" in Halifax County.

What's really behind the "help" these outsiders are giving? I hope our Negro citizens will get the answer.

Stephen H. Conger
509 Sycamore St.,
Weldon.

Letters To The Editor 5-3-64

Background Of Lawyer

I wonder if the members of the Halifax County Voters Movement are aware of the background of the lawyer Morton Stavis, who represented them at the hearing in Federal Court in Raleigh recently.

The name of Morton Stavis, Newark, N. J., appears on the letterhead of the National Lawyers Guild Committee To Assist Southern Lawyers as a committee member.

The National Lawyers Guild was cited as a communist front, first in 1944 by the Special Committee on un-American activities. (House Report 1311, March 29, 1944, page 149.)

On Sept. 21, 1950 (House Report 3123) the House Committee on un-American activities cited the National Lawyers Guild as a communist front which "is foremost legal bulwark of the communist party, its front organizations and controlled unions and which since its inception has never failed to rally to the legal defense of the communist party and individual members thereof, including known espionage agents.

"To defend the cases of communist law - breakers, fronts have been devised making special appeals in behalf of civil liberties and reaching out far beyond the confines of the communist party itself. Among these organizations are the National Lawyers Guild. When the communist party itself is under fire, these offer a bulwark of protection." (Internal Security Subcommittee of the Senate Judiciary Committee. Handbook of Americans, April 2, 1956. page 91).

Robert L. Spence,
Roanoke Rapids

Letters To The Editor 5-19-64

Some Background

I feel the people of Halifax County should be informed as to the background of "Reverend" Fred L. Shuttlesworth, who according to the Daily Herald of May 12, 1964, spoke to a "Freedom Rally" in Weldon.

In the Congressional Record of October 21, 1963 Congreeman Joe D. Waggonner, Jr. (Democrat - Louisiana) inserted on marks about "Reverend" Shuttlesworth headed "Shuttlesworth: Bootlegger and Communist Fronter."

Mr. Waggonner stated: "I would like to add to that list, "Reverend Fred Lee Shuttlesworth, convicted bootlegger and head of the Communist-front Southern Conference Educational Fund.

"The sheriff of Caddo Parish, La., J. Howell Flournoy, has dug into the background of this man and has furnished me copies of Shuttlesworth's police record as a bootlegger and the facts surrounding his Communist agitation. Though I imagine this will be ignored by the liberal press of the Nation, I bring it to the attention of the House today in the hopes that a few conservative newspapers will carry the sordid story of this criminal's past."

"Mr. Waggonner inserted Jack Lotto's story from the Cincinnati Enquirer of June 9, 1963 from which I quote the following: He is the Reverend Fred L. Shuttlesworth, 965 Dana Avenue, pastor of the Revelation Baptist Church, 1556 John Street.

"The post he was elected to is president of the Southern Conference Educational Fund, with headquarters in New Orleans, and active in 17 Southern States.

"Both the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee and the House Committee on Un-American Activities have described the SCEF as an organization set up to promote communism throughout the South.

"This group has a long history of activity in the South. It originally was known as the Southern Conference for Human Welfare. One of its founders was a veteran Communist, the late Louis E. Burnham."

Mr. Waggonner concluded his remarks as follows: "And so, the list continues to fester and grow, spewing out a wretched little knot of Reds, sex perverts, security risks, bootleggers, vagrants, and the unwashed. Add one more to the long list: Reverend Shuttlesworth bootlegger."

Stephen H. Conger,
Weldon.

Runoffs Top State, Halifax Elections

Woodard Returns

CONWAY — Incumbent Rep. J. Raynor Woodard of here was returned to the House and three other incumbents also were returned to their post in county races in yesterday's Democratic primary.

In the statewide race, Northampton went for Richardson Preyer for governor, giving him 2,331 votes to 2,115 for Beverly Lake and 1,079 for Dan Moore.

It was the heaviest vote ever cast in Northampton with 6,597 casting ballots.

Woodard, a farmer businessman, polled 3,733 votes to beat the challenge of attorney Joe Flythe, also of Conway, who polled 1,736.

In the commissioner's race, H. C. Bottoms of Margarettsville got 3,645 votes to 1,811 for Seaboard mortician John W. Faison, a Negro. Horace Guthrie recorded 2,788 votes to edge out Rufus Thompson, who got 2,367. Both are from Garysburg.

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It's Preyer, Moore Now

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Preyer, a former federal judge, led a six-man field in the contest to succeed Gov. Terry Sanford but his margin over Moore was not enough for a first primary win.

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"As I campaigned, I was impressed with the warmth and friendliness of voters from all parts of the county.

"I can never tell the people of the county what this means to me and I earnestly solicit your continued support in the months and weeks ahead.

"If I am nominated and elected as your State Senator, I pledge to serve all the people of Halifax and Warren Counties with all of my ability and with full dedication," he said.

Oakes at an early hour this morning had not yet made a statement on whether or not he will seek a runoff. He did, however, make this statement:

"While all the votes have not yet been counted, it appears that I am one of the top two candidates for the senate, but no one candidate has received the necessary majority of the votes cast.

"I am grateful to all my supporters for their vote of confidence and congratulate my opponents on their vigorous campaign.

"The large vote in yesterday's election is good for our democratic form of government which requires greater voter participation," Oakes said.

In Halifax County, voting was at an all-time high, exceeding the approximately 9,317 votes cast in the 1960 election.

In Weldon, a voting record was snapped in early afternoon when 1,238 voters cast their ballots by 3:30 p. m. with more coming after that. The old record was snapped by Precints One, where 572 had voted by mid-afternoon and at Precinct Two, where 666 had voted by the same time.

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TAYLOR OAKES

W. L. PACE

W. H. CRAWFORD

Roanoke Rapids, 6-1-64

Halifax County Races Settled

HALIFAX — Winning candidates in the Halifax County Board of Commisisoners race Saturday were: Frank B. Neal, district two; R. Henry Hux, district three; Harry A. Branch, district four; and Travis S. Uzzell, district five.

In the Halifax County Board of Education race, Mrs. Joyce A. Sharin polled the most votes. She was followed by C. M. Moore Jr., Henry L. Harrison and C. H. Harrison.

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Durham Morning Herald

6-1-64

Prospect Of Two Runoffs Is Faced In Halifax County

ROANOKE RAPIDS—As Halifax County election officials reviewed the results of Saturday's Democratic primary, they faced the prospect of runoff primaries in two local races in addition to the gubernatorial runoff on June 27.

Former State Sen. Julian Allsbrook may face L. Taylor Oakes in a second primary to decide the Democratic party's choice for the State Senate. Halifax shares a single Senate seat with Warren County.

Allsbrook received 5,166 votes Saturday to Oakes' 3,049. But the margin was not large enough to provide a majority. Two other candidates, R. M. Taylor and Reed Johnson, drew 2,247 and 2,075 respectively.

A similar situation may pit W. H. Crawford against William L. Pace for the post of county coroner. Crawford led in that race with 3,327 votes to Pace's 2,821. Three other candidates, Dr. Roy Creacy, Wictor Burn and Tyler Vaughan, were eliminated.

In his bid for renomination to the House of Representatives, Thorne Gregory won a decisive victory over Thomas Cofield, a Negro, 7,711 to 1,786.

In the county commissioners' race Halifax voters chose five incumbents, Harry Branch, Frank Neal, R. H. Hux, Travis Uzelle and Tom Myrick. Myrick faced no opposition.

Incumbent school board members, C. M. Moore, C. H. Leggett, Henry Harrison, Joyce Shearin and Jeff Whitehead, also received renomination. They were joined on the Democratic slate by newcomers A. G. Wilcox Jr. and Mrs. Arthur Williams.

Frank Wilson, register of deeds; Nicholas Long, county prosecutor, and Bernard Allsbrook, Recorder's Court judge, were unopposed in Saturday's primary.

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Lake Carries Halifax County In Primary Vote

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Lake carried eleven of the twenty-one precincts, Moore carried five, and Preyer carried four while one other precinct ended in a tie between Lake and Moore with Preyer as the third man. The total of votes cast was 12,475, based on the Governor's race, out of a total registration of 19,123.

In the vote for Lieutenant Governor Robert Scott of Haw River was the leader with 4,516 votes, John Jordan of Raleigh came second with 3,928 and Clifton Blue of Aberdeen was third with 3,680.

In the vote for the State Senate, Julian R. Allsbrook of Roanoke Rapids polled the high vote, taking 16 of the 21 precincts with a total of 5,166. Taylor Oakes of Roanoke Rapids came second with 3,049 votes, R. M. Taylor of Roanoke Rapids was third with 2,247 votes and Reed Johnson, the only Negro in the race, polled 2,075 votes. A second primary is indicated in this race but the decision is up to Mr. Oakes who must call for it by next Tuesday.

In the race for State Representive, Thorne Gregory of Scotland Neck did the expected when he piled up 9,145 votes against his Negro opponent Thomas Cofield of Enfield who received 2,414 votes.

In the Coroner's race W .H. Crawford received 4,061 votes W. L. Pace 3,000, R. L. Creasy received 2,572, Tyler Vaughan received 2,112 and Victor Burm received 354. A second primary also is indicated in this race with Mr. Pace having the right to call for it by next Tuesday.

In other voting the Board of County Commissioners was easily reelected and the Board of Education had five incumbents reelected and two new faces replacing incumbents who did not run. In both of these races the Negro race had entered candidates but they were defeated.

The Board of County Commissioners releceted is composed of Frank Neal, Hilliard Hux, Harry Branch and Travis Uzzell. The fifth member, Tom Myrick, had no opposition.

On the Board of Education voting Mrs. Joyce Shearin led in the voting with 10,489 and the others named were C. M. Moore, C. H. Leggett, Jr., Henry Lee Harrison, Mrs. A. L. Williams, Jeff Whitehead and A. G. Willcox.

In the Republican primary less than a dozen votes were cast throughout the county for any of the candidates on the statewide ticket and there were no Republicans running for office on the county ticket.

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Record Vote Cast Saturday Enfield Precinct

Enfield Prog. 4-14

A record vote of 1509 was cast in the Democratic primary by Enfield township registered voters last Saturday, it is announced by Harold Vick, registrar. An average of 2.1 persons voted every minute during the day, Vick said.

The registrar, who was on loan from the Acme Chevrolet Company where he is employed and which firm came to the rescue when the regularly appointed registrar resigned, stated that he wish to thannk the men who stayed on until the wee hours of the night to assist in counting the ballots. It was 4 a. m. before the ballots were tallied.

The vote was the largest cast in the history of Enfield precinct.

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Vote Totals From County Reported

Here are the vote totals from Haliafx County in last Saturday's Democratic and Republican Primaries:

Democratic Primary:

For Governor—I. Beverly Lake, 4947; Dan K. Moore, 3852; L. Richardson Preyer, 3682; Kidd Brewer, 102; R. J. Stansbury, 50; Bruce (Bozo) Burleson, 11.

For Lt. Governor—Robert W. (Bob) Scott, 4521; John R. Jordon, Jr., 3931; H. Clifton Blue, 3599.

For Commissioner of Labor —Frank Crane, 6565; Frank Castlebury, 3109; John B. Wardell, Jr., 1697.

For Commissioner of Insurance—Edwin S. Lanier, 8199; John B. Whitley, 2126; John N. Frederick, 1417.

For State Senator—Julian R. Allsbrook, 5072; L. Taylor Oakes, 3049; Richard M. (Dick) Taylor, 2247; A. Reed Johnson, 2075.

For House of Representatives — Thorne Gregory, 9509; Thomas H. Cofield, 2413.

For Board of County Commissioners (District 2)—Frank B. Neal, 9594; Jasper W. Wilkins, 2417; (District 3) J. Westley Fulgham, 2833; R.

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Letters To The Editor

6-14-64

Exemplified By Letters

There is more than a little tragedy exemplified by the letters — written by Stephen Conger of Weldon and others — which have appeared recently in the Roanoke Rapids "Daily Herald."

Tediously and petulantly, Mr. Conger et al go through the motions of endeavoring to label those individuals and organizations assisting the Halifax Voters Movement as "communist": myself, the Reverend Fred Shuttlesworth, Attorney Morton Stavis, the National Lawyers Guild, and the Southern Conference Educational Fund.

The tired and long ago discredited reports by such strange machines as the House Un - American Activities Committee (HUAC), Senate Internal Security Subcommittee (SISS), and the Louisiana Un - American Activities Committee (LUAC) are, once agan, almost ritualistically dredged up from the mire, and are sprinkled through the letters - to - the - editor columns — and handed out on the streets by such interesting innovations as the John Birch Society - oriented "American Opinion Bookmobile."

Nothing, of course, is said by Mr. Conger et al of the fact that HUAC has long ago been exposed as a graft - ridden and publicity - seeking traveling carnival — one which fromer President Harry Truman has termed "the most un - American thing in America;" that the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee Mississippi Citizens Councils, James O. Eastland, whose advocated defiance of federal law and authority has been equalled only by Ross Barnett and George Wallace; and the LUAC exists as the tool of one of the most backward and totalitarian of the southern state governments.

To the HUAC, SISS, LUAC, akin creatures, and their supporters, all integration activity has always been a manifestation of the "communist conspiracy;" organized union labor has been "communist - dominated;" and social gospel Christianity, as advocated by such movements as the National Council of Churches (which involves about forty million Americans) has been part and parcel of a vast, wicked maneuver conducted by Moscow.

Indeed, everyone and everything who has sought to make the American Dream a reality — to secure a full measure of liberty, food, and dignity for everyone—seems to have wound afour of these repressive agencies which Mrs. Conger et al cite as their authorities on "communism." Protected by the garb of Congressional immunity, which makes it impossible to sue them for libel and slander, HUAC and the others have embarked, year after year, on public campaigns of vilification — sowing their seeds of fear and hatred. Those who defy such agencies — as did Carl Braden who refused to cooperate with the HUAC and who used the First Amendment (not the Fifth) in a principled, test case sense — should merit the applause of all human beings who believe in the paramount nature of civil rights and civil libertes over such soul-strangling marauders as HUAC, cal and economic factors of Halifax County, rigid segregation and discrimination, poor working conditons, poverty, unemployment, burning crosses, and "Impeach Earl Warren" signs are all having a mighty negative effect upon the well-being of the great majority of the county's white and Negro citizens.

And when Negro citizens attempted to exercise the most basic American political right of all — the right to register and vote — a variety of authoritarian and despotic techniques were brought into play against them: a slow - down on the part of the voter registrars, some police harassment, and economic intimidation and reprisals.

In the final anaysis, it has become quite apparent that the power elite of Halifax County and the power elite of the Soviet Union have at least one thing in common: Neither wants the mass of the people to really vote. In any event, as we all know, it took the involvement of the U. S. Justice Department and the FBI and a sweeping, unprecedented Federal court order — levied against Mr. Conger himself, among others — before the Negro people of Halifax County could commence becoming American voters and start the long, uphill job of pulling Halifax County into the mid - twentieth century.

There is indeed much tragedy in the matter of Mr. Conger et al.

Sincerely yours,
John R. Salter, Jr.
Field Secretary,
Raleigh, Southern
Conference Educational Fund

strangling marauders as HUAC, SISS, LUAC — or the Soviet MVD.

I suspect that, deep down inside, Mr. Conger et al are aware that none of us — so labeled by them — are really "communists." And it must be a nagging source of concern to Mr. Conger et al that the U. S. Attorney General's list of subversive organizations, surely a massive catch - all dragnet in itself, does not cite either the National Lawyers Guild or the Southern Conference Educational Fund as "subversive" — and never has.

I have a strong feeling that Mr. Conger et al have been leveling their vilification in an effort to divert attention away from the real issues of Halifax County — issues which the many men and women supporting the Halifax Voters Movement are dealing with in a highly rational and constructive fashion.

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BIRCHER — One of the State's 26 delegates to the Republican national convention, Stephen H. Conger of Weldon, is an official of the right-wing John Birch Society.

Conger, a lumber company president, said in a telephone interview Tuesday he has been the society's "volunteer coordinator" for Eastern North Carolina for the past two years. He said he joined the society three years ago, shortly after he switched his party affiliation from Democrat to Republican.

Although he refused to give any information about the organization's strength, Conger said "interest in the society in Eastern North Carolina has been very strong, especially in the past two years."

"We don't disclose that," Conger reiterated when asked about the number of chapters he has organized. But he said his work had been "very effective."

SIGNS — Conger, a native of Asheville, admitted some connection with the "Impeach Earl Warren" signs that have appeared along highways in the State, some of which bore a Weldon address.

"That's one of the projects for the society," he said.

Conger said he became a Republican in 1960 because "it appeared to me that the conservative cause had a better chance in the Republican Party."

Conger, who says he will support conservative Sen. Barry Goldwater "all the way" at the GOP convention this summer, is president of two hardwood lumber companies, one in Weldon and another in Dailey, W. Va.

- Raleigh News & Observer
6-17-64

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A. Reed Johnson
P.O. Box 626
Enfield, N.C.

June 15, 1964

Mr. Wiley Branton
Project Director
Voter Education Project
5 Forsythe Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton:

I certainly enjoyed the telephone conversation of last Saturday, June 13. As I mentioned to you on the phone, I have been extremely busy trying to regroup my personal and business activities after such a grueling voter registration campaign.

I have at hand your letter of May 26. The handbill which you sent back was not paid for out of the VEP funds. Pertaining to the newspaper clipping you sent, Mr. John R. Salter, Jr. is here assisting the local people in every area of the Halifax Voters Movement.

I would like to emphasize very emphatically that the presence of Mr. Salter has greatly helped our situation -- and he has at no time tried to influence or apply any pressure toward any segment of the movement. The citizens in the county think that he has performed a remarkable job.

Sincerely,

A. Reed Johnson

A. Reed Johnson

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This is not responsive to my letter -
WB.

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6/22/64

WAB:

Have you received a reply re this?

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June 10, 1964

Mr. A. Reed Johnson
Halifax Voter Movement
Post Office Box 626
Enfield, North Carolina

RE: VEP 4-14

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Will you please reply to my letter of May 26 with reference to the article I sent you regarding SCEF and John Salter?

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:js

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May 26, 1964

Mr. A. Reed Johnson
Halifax Voters Movement
Post Office Box 626
Enfield, North Carolina

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Wiley A. Branton

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June 30, 1964

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M E M O R A N D U M by WAB

Re: The Halifax Voter Project (VEP 4-14)

On Monday, June 29, 1964, WAB was visited by Rev. Dunlap and Mr. A. Reed Johnson of Enfield, North Carolina. Barbara Whitaker sat in on the conference.

WAB had expressed serious concern regarding the participation by John Salter and SCEF in the Halifax County area, and had held several discussions with the VEP staff regarding the problems which might arise over Salter. WAB had seen an article in the Baltimore Afro-American concerning voter registration in Halifax County, and it was apparently released to the press by Salter. The article implied that Salter and SCEF were actively involved in the registration program, and it made no mention of the local leadership of the Halifax voter movement. WAB sent a copy of the article to A. Reed Johnson, leader of the Halifax voter movement, to inquire as to his opinion regarding such publicity, and while Johnson replied to the letter, he did not really answer the question.

RTB subsequently made a visit to Enfield, and learned that Johnson would like to come to Atlanta and talk with WAB in person, and this was the purpose of the June 29 meeting. Although Johnson denied that either he or the Halifax voter movement was under the influence of John Salter, the following facts stand out:

1. John Salter appeared on the scene suddenly during the demonstrations in Enfield several months ago, and remained to help in organizing the local community.

2. Salter has worked very actively in the total program of the Halifax movement, and is highly regarded by the leadership and apparently has done a very good job.

3. When the registration books opened in May, and there was a slow-down in the registrar's office, it was John Salter who suggested that an injunction be sought, and his recommendation was followed.

4. When the question of legal counsel came up, Salter

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suggested that he could get lawyers to come in, and Morton Stavis of New Jersey came down and obtained the injunction. There was no discussion or agreement regarding the payment of lawyer's fees or expenses by the Halifax voter movement. Johnson states that he wired the Justice Department and state officials and got no response regarding instructions to the law suit being filed. Stavis obtained results in his law suit, and the effect of the injunction was felt in other counties.

5. A. Reed Johnson's wife was fired from her school teaching job, and again he turned to John Salter for advice, and Salter obtained the services of Kunstler, Kunstler, and Kinoy of New York, and they filed a suit against the School Board.

From the above, it was apparent that John Salter strongly influences the activities of the Halifax voter movement, and it is quite possible that Johnson and the others are too closely involved to realize the influence they are under. Johnson wants VEP to support a summer project which will involve a number of citizenship schools. WAB felt that this is something that SCLC could support from their separate Field Foundation grant, but agreed to consider any proposal which the Halifax movement wanted to submit. The books will not reopen in Halifax County until October, and WAB said he would consider another grant during the actual period of registration in view of the tremendous results which were achieved in May.

Johnson inquired as to whether or not VEP would reimburse Dunlap and him for travel expenses to Atlanta, and WAB authorized Johnson to reimburse themselves from their VEP grant in the total amount of $148.98. It appears that they do not have this much money left in the grant, and upon receipt of an up-to-date financial report, WAB agreed to send a supplemental grant of approximately $100 to the Halifax movement so as to enable them to take care of the transportation bills.

WAB:js

July 21, 1964

Mr. A. Reed Johnson, Director
Halifax Voters Movement
Post Office Box 626
Enfield, North Carolina

RE: VEP 4-14

Dear Mr. Johnson:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of July 18 as well as a financial report. I must tell you quite frankly that your delay in submitting the necessary reports to VEP prevents us from doing anymore for your area than we are. Under the terms of the grant, you are required to submit weekly financial reports to us, and the report which arrived today included a check as far back as June 5.

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You also stated that you have outstanding bills totaling $391.14. Please itemize these bills for us. Upon receipt of the information requested herein, we will give prompt consideration to your budget proposal submitted to us on July 9. We assume that

some of your outstanding bills represent items included in your Area III budget. Please explain this.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:bs

July 18, 1964

A. Reed Johnson
Director
Halifax Voters Movement
Post Office Box 626
Enfield, North Carolina

JUL 21 1964

Mr. Wiley Branton
Director
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 5, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton:

The Reverend Dunlap and I were indeed happy to have the opportunity to discuss the program of the Halifax Voters Movement with you. I am enclosing a complete financial report of the Halifax County Project.

Plans for the summer program, which you should have received several days ago, are being implemented. Over thirty persons from this area attended the citizenship training program sponsored by the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, and citizenship classes are now being organized throughout the county.

As you will note, there is a balance of $13.30 in V. E. P. funds; outstanding bills total $375.25.*****

A complete project report will follow very shortly. We look forward to continued good relations.

Yours for freedom,

A. Reed Johnson

A. Reed Johnson

***** An additional $15.89 is to be added to the above total --- making a total of outstanding bills in the amount of $391.14

Checks June 5, 15
00 21 - June 15 - Carolina Power Expr 116.29
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25 - July 1 - Western Union - 47.69

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P. O. Box 626
Enfield, N.C.

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THE SUMMER PROGRAM OF THE HALIFAX VOTERS MOVEMENT

Three areas of endeavor are involved in the summer program for Halifax County, North Carolina:

I. Implementation of the newly-passed Federal civil rights bill. This has already begun in the County and, to date, the results have been generally positive. It is not anticipated that this portion of the summer program will incur substantial expense to the Halifax Voters Movement. In any event, however, the expenses involved in the implementing of the civil rights bill will not, of course, be drawn from those funds earmarked for the voter registration and political action projects.

II. A major effort to break through the barriers of illiteracy in Halifax County is currently in its beginning stages. This effort will center around the teaching projects of those thirty-one residents of Halifax County who, during the month of June, 1964, attended the SCLC Citizenship Schools -- at Bricks, N.C. and Dorchester Center, Ga. -- and who have indicated that they will initiate and conduct literacy classes throughout the County. The SCLC has indicated that it will assume the expense burden with regard to the Halifax County literacy-building projects.

III. The basic emphasis of the Halifax Voters Movement will continue, however, in the realm of voter and political matters. This summer will be spent in preparing the groundwork for a massive voter registration and political education campaign aimed at the October registration period and the November general election.* There will be three essential components to this summer preparatory program:

(1) The tightening-up of the Halifax Voters Movement at the grassroots level. This will involve bringing the several thousand persons who have already been reached by the Movement into stable and structured local precinct organizations of a permanent sort. Many public meetings will be held for these persons and formal classes will be conducted in government, economics, and general and specific social problems.

(2) The expanding of the Halifax Voters Movement into the still largely untouched rural sections of the County. Through mass meetings and voter registration classes, these people will be prepared for their ultimate registration and voting in the fall.

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* An extremely intensive "crash" program -- similar to that of the spring of 1964 -- will commence, in Halifax County, in mid-September, 1964. This program will be designed to not only prepare many additional persons for the October registration period, but also to mobilize all Negro and allied voters for a heavy vote turnout in the November general election.

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(3) The setting up of permanent community education centers -- particularly in the rural sections of the County. This will augment the two preceding components immediately above: (1) & (2). Several hundred volumes of books have already been received -- and more are forthcoming.

THE PROPOSED BUDGET FOR AREA III - (VOTER & POLITICAL MATTERS) -

(July 14, 1964 - September 14, 1964)

I.	Paper and printing expenses	$250.00
II.	Gasoline and general travel expenses	$250.00
III.	Telephone expenses	$175.00
IV.	Postage expenses	$ 75.00
V.	Utilities expenses -- for office and community centers	$ 50.00
VI.	Miscellaneous	$ 50.00
	Total Proposed Budget:	$ 850.00

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(Mrs.) Mima Johnson

(Mrs.) Mima Johnson, Secretary

July 23, 1964

Mr. John R. Salter, Jr.
828 Newcombe Road
Raleigh, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Salter:

I enclose herewith all of the news clippings and copies of legal pleadings which you were kind enough to send us on June 27. We have taken the liberty to make copies of just about all of these items, as we think that they are extremely valuable for our research files in connection with the VEP program which we financed in Halifax County.

From all that I can learn, it appears that you have personally rendered a great service to the Negroes in Halifax County in helping them with the registration and political action programs. I commend you for your unselfish devotion to their cause.

The entire actions of the lawyers who filed the lawsuit to enjoin the registrar are most interesting, and they revealed quite pointedly what results can be achieved where prompt and vigorous legal action is taken to protect the rights of persons seeking to register and vote.

We have under consideration a request for a supplemental grant for Halifax County, and we expect that we will be able to help them in some way before the registration deadline for the November Elections. That group creates some problems for me because

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of their lack of diligence in submitting financial reports in accordance with the provisions of the grant.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:bs

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John R. Salter, Jr.
828 Newcombe Road
Raleigh, North Carolina

July 18, 1964

Mr. Wiley Branton
Project Director
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street N.W
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton:

I would appreciate it very much indeed if, at its convenience, your office could send me the material that I sent to you on June 27, 1964. It includes a good many news clippings from two North Carolina newspapers, two pertinent court orders concerning the Halifax voting complaint, and a copy of the Willa Johnson teaching complaint.

Thanking you, I am

Sincerely,

John R. Salter, Jr.

828 Newcombe Rd.
Raleigh, N.C.

WAB

A. Reed Johnson
Post Office Box 626
Enfield, N.C.

August 4, 1964

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Mr. Wiley Branton
5 Forsyth Street, Northwest
Atlanta 3, Ga.

Dear Mr. Branton:

Your letter of July 21 raised several questions about expenditures included in our last financial report.

Check 0022, dated June 15, 1964 to Carolina Telephone Co. did include many long-distance telephone calls. Halifax Co. is a very large county and one of the strengths of our Movement has been our contact with local leaders throughout the area. Much of the contact was maintained by telephone. The bill covers the registration days and the May 30 primary election. It includes long-distance calls made to attornyes, newspaper and wire services, and to the Department of Justice. You asked why there were so many calls -- it would have been impossible to conduct the registration program and achieve the results we did without them.

Check 0025 to Western Union, dated July 1, 1964, covered telegrams sent to Governor Sanford, the County Elections Board, the State Elections Board, and the Department of Justice. Copies of these telegrams were often sent to wire services. Again, we could not have conducted the campaign without them.

Check 0021, dated June 15, 1964 to Carolina Office Supply is explained by the invoices that we are enclosing with this letter.

Itemized bills are these: (1) Telephone bill of $180.42 to Carolina Telephone (long-distance calls to local leaders and collect calls received from local leaders, long-distance calls to attorneys, preparation for run-off primary election of June 27) (2) Trip to Atlanta for Rev. A.I. Dunlap and myself comes to $148.98 (3) Transportation costs for June 27 run-off primary election came to $45.85 (mainly gasoline) (4) Paper bill of $15.89 from Carolina Office Supply

The above itemized bills have no financial connection with the Area III budget request that we sent in on July 9. Because of the June 27 run-off election, the voter campaign lasted past May 30, through June 27.

The "Food, Freedom and Good Government" leaflets were not paid for from V.E.P. fund.

Sincerely,

A. Reed Johnson

A. Reed Johnson
Treasurer

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July 24, 1964

Mr. A. Reed Johnson
Halifax Voters Movement
P.O. Box 626
Enfield, North Carolina

Re VEP 4-14

When Mr. Brunton wrote you on July 21, he inadvertently neglected asking you for a reply to a question and instruction he had made in his letter of May 26. In that letter he returned a handbill you had sent him and asked if it had been paid for with VEP funds. He then instructed you to reimburse the VEP account for this printing cost if you had used VEP funds, since it was apparently partisan in nature.

Please write us at once concerning this matter because while a matter of this sort is unsettled our tax exempt status is in jeopardy.

Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

Jean Levine
Fiscal Assistant

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July 21, 1964

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Halifax Voters Movement
Post Office Box 626
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Wiley A. Branton

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May 26, 1964

Mr. A. Reed Johnson
Halifax Voters Movement
Post Office Box 626
Enfield, North Carolina

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Wiley A. Branton

WAB:bs

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May 15, 1964

A. Reed Johnson
Halifax Voter Education Project
Post Office Box 626
Enfield, North Carolina

MAY 25 1964

Mr. Wiley A. Branton
Director
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton:

We are enclosing reports, a news story, and a few samples of our leaflets, which we hope will bring you up to date on what has been going on in Halifax County. In the next few days we shall mail a detailed report to give you a detailed account of our activities.

May we also call your attention to the following expenditures which were made from personal funds prior to the receipt of the VEP grant.

April 20 Carolina Office Equipment for paper, ink, and stencils— $52.41

April 21 Carolina Telephone and Telegraph— $23.64

We are requesting your permission to use VEP funds to reimburse our personal account for the amount of $76.05.

Yours sincerely,

A Reed Johnson

A. Reed Johnson

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Halifax Voters Movement, Enfield, N. C.

P. O. BOX 626 — 445-4671

One Man-One Vote—For Freedom!

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August 28, 1964

Mr. A. Reed Johnson
Halifax Voter Project
P. O. Box 626
Enfield, North Carolina

RE: VEP 4-14

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Thank you for you letter of August 4 in which you answered my questions of July 21. My only complaint at this time regarding the expenses for telephone calls and telegrams is that you did not keep VEP fully informed of your activities during the period that you were so busy informing others at VEP expense, and we certainly hope that this will not happen again. I am returning the statements and invoices which you sent at our request, as you may need them for your own files.

We are enclosing our check in the amount of $400 representing a supplemental grant to enable you to pay the outstanding bills which you itemized at $391.14.

We would appreciate it if you would bring us up-to-date on the summer activities in your area concerning voter registration, or education, and let us know when your books will open for registration and how long they will be open.

I saw a recent article attributed to Mr. John Salter regarding a stepped-up program in your county, and wonder if you have been able to get any support from any other organization.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:js
Encl: $400 check
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September, 1964

Dear Friends:

In April, at the suggestion of Anne and Carl Braden, we sent you literature describing the Southern Conference Educational Fund, and its 25 years of dynamic struggle against racial segregation in the South.

The intervening months have been as challenging - and as promising, as any in the organization's history.

An enclosed reprint - "Upsurge in Carolina" - describes a current SCEF project in Halifax County, North Carolina, which has led to registration of some 2,000 new Negro voters.

But our staff representative in Halifax, John R. Salter, Jr. cites an urgent need for additional funds if the campaign is to reach fruition. We do not at present, have the money to send.

An enclosed folder outlines other SCEF activities. They, too, hold great potential. But, they too, require money we do not have in the treasury.

The SCEF program depends on voluntary contributions from persons like yourself. Could you make a donation now?

Sincerely,

Rev F. L. Shuttlesworth

The Reverend Fred L. Shuttlesworth,
President

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ITS PLANNED ACTIVITIES AND FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS 1964

THE SOUTHERN CONFERENCE

THE BUDGET: SCEF's annual budget is about $110,000, about 25% of this goes for administrative and general office expense; and about 75% for publications and special projects. The administrative and general office expense is a fairly stable, fixed sum, but the publications and special projects budget is adjustable. Only those projects are undertaken for which money has been raised or which appears to be in sight.

WHERE THE MONEY COMES FROM: All of SCEF's budget comes from voluntary, individual contributions. We have about 300 friends who contribute $100 or more, but most of the annual gifts are from "little people", from $10 to $25. A special effort is being made to secure $12 a-year-gifts ($1.00 per month).

HOW THE MONEY IS SPENT: SCEF is in regular contact with about 100 grass roots civil rights organizations in the South, lending them encouragement, and making available a staff of professionally trained, experienced technicians, especially skilled in public relations and community organizations.

SCEF's STAFF: SCEF's field staff includes **Carl and Anne Braden,** who have worked as reporters and editors on some of the South's largest newspapers; **John R. Salter, Jr.,** formerly professor of social studies at Tougaloo College, Mississippi, and advisor to the Jackson, Mississippi, NAACP Youth Committee which did such a remarkably fine job of organizing the Jackson Freedom Movement; **the Rev. William Howard Melish,** an ordained Episcopal Minister, and chairman of the Religious Freedom Committee; **Mrs. Ella J. Baker,** formerly national Director of Branches for the NAACP, and former executive director of Dr. Martin Luther King's organization, the Southern Christian Leadership Conference. Mrs. Baker's proudest achievement was organization of the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee, of which she is still Adult Advisor.

EDUCATION FOR GRASS ROOTS LEADERS: SCEF conducts workshops on a local and regional basis for the leadership of grass-roots civil rights groups for the discussion of basic issues, policies, and directions. In the past 3 years special attention has been given to the relationship of civil rights and civil liberties.

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WHO DIRECTS SCEF's POLICIES: SCEF's board of directors of 80 and its advisory committee of 100, divided about equally between whites and Negroes, all live in the South. The Rev. Fred L. Shuttlesworth, noted civil rights leader of Birmingham and Cincinnati, is president of SCEF.

SCEF's UNIQUE CONTRIBUTION—ENLISTING WHITE ALLIES: While all SCEF projects and activities are integrated, SCEF regards its unique contribution to the civil rights struggle to be the seeking out, and encouragement of Southern white liberals. For 25 years SCEF has provided a rallying point for those Southerners who wanted to take an uncompromising stand against all forms of discrimination and segregation. As our field staff travels about the South, they try to find these isolated liberals and help them to feel they are not alone.

BUILDING LINES OF COMMUNICATION—THE SOUTHERN PATRIOT: SCEF helps to maintain lines of communication between all integrationists in the South by means of a monthly newspaper the **Southern Patriot**, now in its 22nd year of continuous publication. It collects, and interprets the news of the Southern integration struggle, publishes projects of its leader, etc. Almost all of this material is written by the Patriot's own staff of correspondents, and is not available from any other source. The **Patriot** is not a SCEF house organ. It publishes news of all integrationist organizations active in the South. It can be found in the libraries of many of the country's leading colleges and universities. The **Patriot** is sent automatically to all contributors to the Fund.

NEWS BUREAU: SCEF maintains a news bureau servicing about 300 newspapers, magazines, TV and radio stations.

WHITE STUDENT PROJECT WITH "SNICK": For the past 3 years SCEF has given a grant to the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee (SNCC-"SNICK") to pay the salary and expenses of a fulltime field secretary to visit "white" college campuses in the South with the aim of involving more white students in the freedom movement. For the first two years "SNICK" selected Bob Zellner to work under this grant.

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This school year it is Sam Shirah. For the first 2 years the grant was $5,000. This year, because of the financial crisis precipitated by the raids, the grant has been reduced to $3,600 or $300 per month. We would like to restore this grant to its original amount.

TWO NEW PUBLICATIONS: SCEF is distributing a new publication by Anne Braden, published by the National Committee to abolish HUAC, under the title of "HUAC-BULWARK OF SEGREGATION", and plans to distribute another pamphlet by the same author. It is a basic document, still to be named, on the SCEF raids & arrests. We need $7,500 for this publishing project: $2,500 for the HUAC pamphlet, and $5,000 for the pamphlet on the SCEF cases.

SCEF is interested in two projects that are close to the hearts of two of its associates:

(1) HALIFAX COUNTY, N. C.—John R. Salter, Jr. has laid out an ambitious plan for the development of a grass-roots community campaign for the Tidewater region, beginning with a Voter-Education project in the largest county in North Carolina (Halifax County —60% Negro). They need food, clothing, books of all kinds, and money. $4,200 would finance the project in its initial stages. (Telephone, postage, mimeo supplies, gas, etc.) This project could be just as significant for the Tidewater region as Fayette County has been for Tennessee and the Delta.

(2) APPALACHIA: Sam Shirah, a SNCC staff member, working under a SCEF grant, has had a dream concerned with the problem of how to convert the Southern Negro students protest movement into a real black and white movement of people against injustice. To put it more positively and concretely, how to unite the dispossessed in a program for "Jobs and Freedom". He wants to start in the Southern Mountain region. We would like to be able to help finance an office and skeleton staff for one year. $5,000 would do it.

SCHOLARSHIP AID FOR YOUNG FREEDOM FIGHTERS: SCEF has raised more than $5,000 to provide scholarship aid for the children of the Rev. Fred L. Shuttlesworth, 3 of whom are now students at the University of Cincinnati. A few other young people

have been helped. This is one of the areas where more friends are needed urgently.

COOPERATION WITH OPERATION FREEDOM & AID FOR VICTIMS OF ECONOMIC REPRISALS: SCEF helped to set up **Operation Freedom** which is doing such a marvelous job with loans and grants to the Freedom fighters in Fayette and Haywood Counties and in the Mississippi Delta, to help the victims of economic reprisals to make a crop and stay alive. Where Operation Freedom has been unable to help, SCEF has stepped in to assist some special cases:

(1) SCEF raised $19,000 in loans to refinance the business of a Negro business man in Mississippi, in order to give him an economic base from which to carry on his activities as a leader in the freedom movement.

(2) SCEF has raised $21,000 in loans to finance another key Negro business man in Tennessee. The money was used to complete and equip a multipurpose building when white merchants refused to sell to Negroes, when they began to register to vote. The Small Business Administration has agreed to take over the mortgage upon completion.

(3) SCEF has raised $45,000 in bail bonds for young freedom fighters, almost all of them SNCC field workers and members.

SCEF's LEGAL DEFENSE, OUR MOST URGENT IMMEDIATE NEED: We have listed some of the typical projects of SCEF which will indicate how our funds are spent, and I have mentioned a few projects for which we need funds now in order to maintain our regular program. However, the raids and arrests on October 4, 1963, placed a heavy financial burden upon the Fund for legal defense.

In addition to the criminal prosecutions of 2 SCEF officials by the State of Louisiana, SCEF has two cases on appeal to the U. S. Supreme Court, one for a half million dollars in damages, and one, which is the key case, testing the constitutionality of the Louisiana Statutes. SCEF desperately needs immediate financial aid for legal defense. We are trying to raise $25,000 for legal defense in 1964, in addition to the regular budget of $110,000 or a total of $135,000.

THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE SCEF COURT CASES: Much more is involved in SCEF's legal defense than the survival of the Fund, for if Louisiana is successful in its efforts to destroy SCEF, it is certain that Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia and other Southern

states will move quickly against all civil rights organizations and their leaders.

It is not stretching the truth to say that the police state tactics used against SCEF, if permitted to stand, are a threat to all organizations working for peace and for social justice, as well as all agencies that challenge the *status quo*.

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An Upsurge in Carolina

(By Staff Correspondent)

ENFIELD, N.C.—As yet very little noticed by the outside world, a remarkable grass-roots program of voter registration and political action is developing here.

In reaction, a resurgence of Ku Klux Klan activity is also developing in this area. It too is largely unnoticed by the outside world and could spell real danger unless the spotlight of decent public opinion is turned on it.

Enfield is in Halifax County, which lies in the heart of North Carolina's "Black Belt"—country similar to rural areas of the Deep South. This area lies in the northeastern part of the state—a section very different from the industrial and academic centers of North Carolina, where a measure of progress has given this state a "liberal" reputation.

This is farming and plantation country—cotton, tobacco, and peanuts—with virtually no industry. The Black Belt area covers roughly seven counties. Segregation is total and rigid, poverty rampant, and job and educational opportunities almost nonexistent for Negroes.

In the area as a whole, Negroes comprise about two thirds of the population, but relatively few are registered. Attempts to register have traditionally been met by many of the same tactics that prevail in the Deep South—various devices by registrars to refuse registration and physical and economic intimidations.

Yet in Halifax County in a few weeks time this spring more than 2000 Negro voters were added to the rolls; a Federal court order was won which prohibits registrars from blocking Negro registration and sets important precedents for the entire state and the South in general; 11 Negroes ran for local office, and one is in the race for Congress.

Most important, the group which did all these things, the Halifax Voters Movement, built itself into a strong grass-roots organization with workers in every precinct in the county and a democratic

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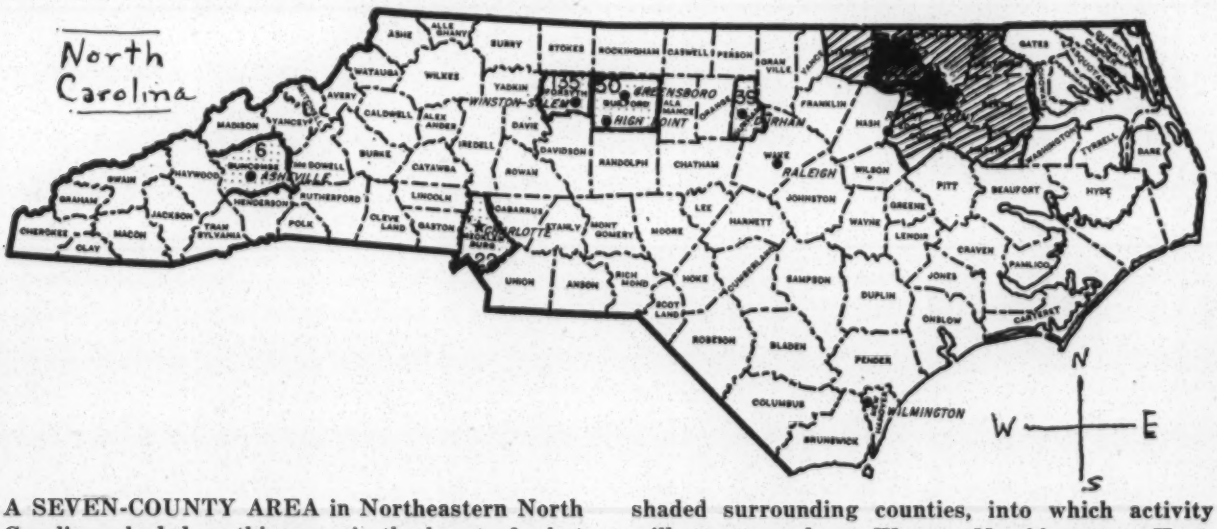
—Photo by Doug Harris

TROY LASSITER (left), co-chairman of the Halifax Voters Movement, talks with John Salter of the SCEF staff and a farmer from Tillery, N.C., during vote drive. Lassiter is a long-time veteran of civil-rights efforts; ten years ago he helped organize hundreds of Negro students who attempted to desegregate the schools in this section. That movement was crushed but Lassiter and others continued to work.



A SEVEN-COUNTY AREA in Northeastern North Carolina, shaded on this map, is the heart of what is known as that state's Black Belt—a farming area very much like the Deep South where segregation is rigid and repression is the pattern. The more darkly shaded area is Halifax County, where new upsurge of civil-rights activity centers. The lightly shaded surrounding counties, into which activity will soon spread, are Warren, Northhampton, Hertford, Bertie, Martin, and Edgecombe. Parts of the Black Belt pattern and ways also extend into other surrounding areas. The counties with heavy black lines to the west and south are industrial areas which have given the state its liberal reputation.

structure run from the bottom up.

Commenting on the nature and growth of the group, John Salter, SCEF field organizer who has worked closely with it, says:

"Few developments have ever made me quite as optimistic about the future of grass-roots democracy as has the healthy way this movement has developed."

Although the new upsurge is limited now to Halifax County, it is almost certain to spread to the other Black Belt Counties; it has significance for the entire state because this area—due to disproportionate representation — has traditionally exerted great control in the State Legislature.

Efforts at Negro registration in Halifax County actually date back many years, with a few pioneers carrying the burden of the struggle. The new upsurge, however, started last winter.

Last summer there were nonviolent direct action attempts to integrate some of the public facilities of Enfield, and these were met with mass arrests and clubbings and fire-hosing by police and vigilantes. This convinced many people of the need to build Negro voting strength.

In February, grass-roots leaders from all over the county came together and mapped their campaign. The representation cut

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. . . . Grass-Roots Vote Drive Stirs Repressed Area

across all class and economic lines—the very poorest farmers working alongside professional people.

By summer every community in the county had been touched and many of the rural areas; more than 100 mass meetings had been held, and about 100,000 pieces of literature distributed.

Total population of Halifax County is 58,000, of whom 32,000 or about 55 per cent are Negroes. Before the recent registration drive, 1600 were voters. In the brief two-week registration period in May, this was increased to 3,600.

On the first registration day, Negroes were met with widespread police harassment and stalling tactics by registrars. That's when they went into Federal court. Attorneys Arthur Kinoy and William Kunstler of New York, Morton Stavis of New Jersey, and Samuel Mitchell of North Carolina won a sweeping injunction laying down certain rules to insure that registrars could not deny Negroes the right to vote.

For example, the ruling held that no registrar could spend more time registering Negroes than whites, must try to register each person in a five-minute period, that he must register three people at a time when lines began to form, must hire extra clerical help, etc. The ruling also required that registration be held on every week day during the registration period, instead of just on Saturdays as previously.

Observers said this ruling probably means that no county in this state will ever again try a massive effort to block Negro attempts to register and vote.

After the registration period, the Halifax Movement concentrated on getting out the vote in the primary election. Movement poll watchers estimated that 3,000 Negroes voted—an unusually high percentage.

The 11 Negro candidates didn't win, of course,—not this time, but many people caught a glimpse of what can be done as more people register. The candidates ran on a broad platform of "Food, Freedom, and Good Government."

The large Negro turnout happened despite great tension in the air, large numbers of hostile police and segregationists in evidence, and the increased Ku Klux Klan activity in the area.

With the elimination of the Negro candidates from the primary one Negro remains in a race this year — A. C. Cofield, long-time leader in this area and chairman of the Halifax Voters Movement, who is running as a write-in candidate for Congress in the November election.

Meantime, the Halifax Voters Movement is turning its attention to long-range goals. It is tightening up its precinct organization and extending its work more intensively into the rural areas of the country; and a massive registration campaign is being planned for the next registration period, which comes in October.

It has sent 31 local persons to be trained as teachers in the Southern Christian Leadership Conference citizenship schools, and they are setting up literacy and citizenship classes. There will also be classes in America government and social problems. Food and clothing are being collected by the Movement for poverty-stricken families.

The movement is backing a school integration effort too, and 18 Negro children have applied for transfers to segregated schools this fall. Testing of the new federal civil rights bill started as soon as it went into effect and some barriers fell. Economic boycotts are in the planning stage to support demands for fair hiring policies.

The counter-pressures have been tremendous. A state leader of the White Citizens Council affiliate has spent a great deal of time here, crosses have been burned and, in late June, armed Klansmen, some wearing masks in violation of state law, traveled to Enfield, held a rally and drove through the Negro section. Death threats have been made against civil rights workers.

There has been an intensive campaign of red-baiting—charges of communism against the civil-rights movement in ads and letters in the newspaper. The John Birch Society is strong here and it is a stronghold of the Wallace-for-President campaign in North Carolina.

None of this has frightened the Halifax Movement people; if anything, their determination has increased. However, they are concerned because the press in the rest of the state seems to be ignoring the upsurge of Klan activity and they fear it will grow and turn more and more to open terror unless there is widespread protest.

The Halifax Movement is pushing an important court test as a counterattack against economic pressure applied to civil-right workers. This is the case of Mrs. Willa Johnson, wife of Reed Johnson, who was a candidate for office; Mrs. Johnson herself is also a movement leader. She is a school teacher and her contract was not renewed for next year.

Attorneys Kunstler and Kinoy, Martin Bradley of Buffalo, N.Y., and Samuel Mitchell filed suit in Federal Court asking reinstatement and damages for her. It is a class action so that a victory will insure the rights of other teachers who want to become active.

In addition to the assistance of John Salter of SCEF, the Halifax Voters Movement has had the help of two field secretaries of the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee, J. V. Henry and Doug Harris, both native North Carolinians, and also of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, of which it has become an affiliate. Groups such as the League of Women Voters and AFL-CIO COPE have given aid.

The great bulk of the credit for what has been done, here, however, belongs to the local people of Halifax County themselves.

—Photo by Doug Harris

SLUMS LIKE THESE where Negroes live in Enfield, N.C., are part of the target of the Halifax Voters Movement. Its leaders say its objectives are "full human dignity and liberty, a full measure of economic opportunity, topflight schooling, and democratic and constructive government."

Klan on March

DURHAM, N.C.—*The Carolina Times*, a statewide Negro newspaper, ran an editorial recently entitled, "The Ku Klux Klan Takes Over in Enfield." In it the editor said: ". . . In Enfield and other sections of Halifax County, the law is glad to take a holiday while the Ku Klux Klan or any other group of white persons who wishes to do so, exercises the liberty of heaping insults and abuses on Negroes."

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Note!
these materials sent to
me by a friend who was concerned
about SCEF's involvement in Miss. fr.
WAB!

October 5, 1964

Mr. A. Reed Johnson
Halifax Voters League
P. O. Box 626
Enfield, North Carolina

RE: VEP 4-14

Dear Mr. Johnson:

I do not regard your letter of September 17 as being responsive to my inquiry regarding help from SCEF in your voter registration program. VEP is a research program, and we are expected to be able to study and analyze results which have been achieved from various methods and techniques, together with some indication of costs. When a participating agency received help from some source other than VEP, then we are in no position to discern the effectiveness of our own program unless we can fully understand the extent of participation and involvement of non-VEP agencies. You have repeatedly ignored questions regarding SCEF involvement for some reason, despite their very obvious presence in your community. I am of the opinion that SCEF has made a major contribution to the cause of voter registration in your county, and our records should show the extent of their involvement and assistance.

I know that you are in need of financial assistance, and you have very little time before the books close. The proposed budget which you submitted to us in early July totaled $850 for the period July 14 to September 14. We did not approve that budget, and the period has passed. If you desire any funds from VEP prior to the registration deadline, then you must submit a detailed budget immediately. We probably will require a new financial procedure for your project which will be in accordance with the enclosed instructions. In order to expedite things, you should have those persons who will be authorized to request payment of bills to sign the enclosed signature card and return it to us at once. We will ~~answer~~

Proposals today

any one signature, although you may have more than one person sign the card. This letter should not be construed as any commitment that we will actually make a grant, but we are trying to expedite your program in the event that you submit a budget which we can approve.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

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Return letter WB

A. Reed Johnson
Post Office Box 626
Enfield, N.C.

September 17, 1964

Mr. Wiley Branton
5 Forsyth Street, Northwest
Atlanta 3, Ga.

Dear Mr. Branton:

We have received your letter of September 15 asking for a financial accounting of the $400.00 which we recently received in order to pay for back expenses.

To date, the following checks have been written: $180.42 for the telephone bill; $74.49 re-imbursement for my trip to your Atlanta office; $21.66 for mimeograph paper-ink expenses. (Originally, this last check was to have been for $15.89 (for paper), but an ink bill of $5.60 plus $.17 tax was also involved, making a total bill of $21.66).

The following checks are still to be written and this will be done as soon as Mrs. Mima Johnson, the Secretary, is available. Her signature is required on all expenditures. The checks to be written are: $74.49 re-imbursement to Rev. A.I. Dunlap for his trip to your Atlanta office, and a check totalling about $45.00 to pay for gasoline and associated costs in connection with the June 27 run-off primary. (Actually, several small checks, coming to about a $45.00 total, will be written to several individuals on this matter of transportation costs.)

The civil rights campaign in Halifax Co. is being pushed on a number of fronts: voter registration and education; fair employment practices; school desegregation; several very important litigations; and the raising and distribution of clothing to needy families. As such, the expenses are very heavy.

We definitely need the full amount that we have, several times, requested from the VEP for the fall registration program. All money received from VEP will be used only for the voter registration and education part of our program. (Actually, the amount of money that we have requested from VEP for the voter activity would definitely not cover the total costs of that part of the program as it is now developing.)

We shall be more prompt in sending in the required reports. We had planned to wait until all of the checks for the $400.00 were written before sending in a report on that. Mrs. Mima Johnson, the Secretary, is expected ba ck soon.

Sincerely,

A. Reed Johnson

A. Reed Johnson

September 15, 1964

Mr. A. Reed Johnson
Halifax Voter Project
P. O. Box 626
Enfield, North Carolina

RE: VEP 4-14

Dear Mr. Johnson:

On August 28, 1964, we sent you our check in the amount of $400, representing a supplemental grant to enable you to pay certain outstanding bills from your last project. We require weekly financial reporting, but as of this date, we have heard nothing further from you. Will you please send us an up-to-date financial accounting at once, and send us our carbon copies of all checks which have been written without delay?

I remind you again that your consistent delay in complying with the conditions and terms of the grant prevent us from doing as much for your project as we otherwise possibly could.

It appears that SCEF has been soliciting funds to assist your voter education project, and we would be interested in knowing if the results have been sufficient to cancel any portion of your request for VEP assistance.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

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A. Reed Johnson
Post Office Box 626
Enfield, N.C.

August 4, 1964

Mr. Wiley Branton
5 Forsyth Street, Northwest
Atlanta 3, Ga.

Dear Mr. Branton:

Your letter of July 21 raised several questions about expenditures included in our last financial report.

Check 0022, dated June 15, 1964 to Carolina Telephone Co. did include many long-distance telephone calls. Halifax Co. is a very large county and one of the strengths of our Movement has been our contact with local leaders throughout the area. Much of the contact was maintained by telephone. The bill covers the registration days and the May 30 primary election. It includes long-distance calls made to attorneys, newspaper and wire services, and to the Department of Justice. You asked why there were so many calls -- it would have been impossible to conduct the registration program and achieve the results we did without them.

Check 0025 to Western Union, dated July 1, 1964, covered telegrams sent to Governor Sanford, the County Elections Board, the State Elections Board, and the Department of Justice. Copies of these telegrams were often sent to wire services. Again, we could not have conducted the campaign without them.

Check 0021, dated June 15, 1964 to Carolina Office Supply is explained by the invoices that we are enclosing with this letter.

Itemized bills are these: (1) Telephone bill of $180.42 to Carolina Telephone (long-distance calls to local leaders and collect calls received from local leaders, long-distance calls to attorneys, preparation for run-off primary election of June 27) (2) Trip to Atlanta for Rev. A.I. Dunlap and myself comes to $148.98 (3) Transportation costs for June 27 run-off primary election came to $45.85 (mainly gasoline) (4) Paper bill of $15.89 from Carolina Office Supply

The above itemized bills have no financial connection with the Area III budget request that we sent in on July 9. Because of the June 27 run-off election, the voter campaign lasted past May 30, through June 27.

The "Food, Freedom and Good Government" leaflets were not paid for from V.E.P. fund.

Sincerely,

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JBM

Field Trip to Nortg Carolina-Part I.
-NAACP-VEP 20 County Areas:

I arrived into the Durham-Raleigh Airport fromna flight from Atlanta and was met there by Rev. Charles Ward, our coordinator for the VEP-NAACP project. He was quite distraought becase of illness in the family.

His wife had been acting as his secretary, voluntarily, for his VEP work but was now seriously ill. He therefore intends to to hire a part-time secretary to be in the office, as he is in the field most of the time.

REv. Ward last week visited about ten areas.He and John Edwards had divided up the 20 County VEP-NAACP project, JOhn taking the Western Portion and Ward the Eastern portion. It was his eastern part Ward had visited. From the results of his trip, he was able to provide us the list of his co=ordinators.(See attacment I).

I then called John Edwards in Durham and he provided both me and Rev. Ward the list of his cooridnators and contacts.(See attacmentII). John admitted that he had not yet made his tour as was done by Rev. Ward but planned to do so after the NAACP convention this coming week-end. As a general rule Rev. Ward had established his coordianators only after contacting community leaders in the County. Basically, he preferred the local NAACP organization and its people if it was active and effective in community organization, but if said REv. Ward, if the local NAACL was not effedtive, or, if other people are more effeective, these other people would be used. He said that for Martin and Pitts Counties, he is calling upon Mr. "Goldie " Frinks(an officer of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference) to work in these areas. His list of names he indicates as coordinators includes people that are not active with the LOCAL Naacp. Both WARD and EDWARDS use a State-wide NAACP list of NAACp officers , but it seems that John Edware, from his own admissions had not yet composed his list of co-ordinators from personal investigation.

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After disposing of the 20 County-VEP NAACP problem, Rev. Ward took time to discuss the program in Wake(Raleigh) County. Here, he has three co-oridanators : Mr. James Shepherd, 424 Bloodworth, TE 2-8777; Barbel W. Lane, Rock Quarry Rodd, 833-6967; Ruth Morgan, Windel, North Carolina, 365 - 7117. The latter two are the County co-ordianatora. They work through the Negro schools in the area, their local PTA's. with students, competing with each other. In the city, Mr. Shepherd, the Presddent of the local NAACP, Mr. Campbell and Bloodworth, have been working through h the bfanch and the Youth Chapter In both areas, the procedure is for their workers to go door to door to make contacts, make appointments , and to bring to the people the retistrars.

The Hallifax movement

I arrived here , Enfield N.C., later than I planned, Havind had problems in finding a place to stay, eating etc.

VEP 4-14

Behind the Colfield Funeral Homes I found the office of the Hallifax movement. Mr. Reed Johnson, the treasuerer, and a Miss Smith was there , talking to another man about the organization of a precinct A Mrs. Deloris Ward then ~~entered the~~ came into the office to report about a ~~road~~ road and bridge that had been washed out from the rain of the week before.

~~Rex~~.Mr. Johsnon explained that the county-wide registration program had been set back a week because of the rain and wetness- and now everyone was frantically playing "catch up".

He admitted that his last report was sent Sept 12 , 1964. I explained to him the seriousness of the need for him ~~ten~~ to send in current reports-or weekly reports. He answered that the last check was written September 11, 1964, and therefore he thought there was no need to send ~~the~~ into Atlanta empty reports. I replied that it made no difference- VEP obligations in its own files is to show current ~~rex~~ financil responses as long as a grant is remaining active. I asked him howmuch he had in the VEP account, and he said, $140.93, the amount he had already indiczted to WAB, but was already charged out.

He then indicated the disperate need for more VEP ~~fudxxx~~ funds. We had a long discussion about this. But in essence, I explained that for VEP funds, there must be a promise and fulfillment of financil reporting, which VEP goes unsatisfied, ~~xx~~ concerning the Hallifax / movemnt. Johnson then indicated that he would make the sufficdnt reporting. As for supplementary grants, I told him he should submit a budget as ~~for~~ for a supplementary grant, but then explained to him VEP's separate account which VEP may decide to apply in his case. I did n ot promise VEP would satisfy their expenditures, but indicated that only with making and application and making a report, could this be quid pro quo for VEP.

W had been so busy talking about the finances, that I had no real opportunity to talk about the Hallifax Movement relationship with SCEF before John Saltedr entered the building. But Idid learn thazt there are two accounts. One is in the name of the Hallifax VEP which VEP account. The other account is ~~the~~ in the name of the " Hallifax County Voter Registration Movement".In this account is only $18. Only the Community ~~rex~~ supports this(collections from Negro churches etc., althyough at times, they may receive in the mail some checks. He told me that the ~~Hallifax~~ Hallifax Movement had not ever received any money ~~at~~ from SCEF. He said that the Hallifax Movement, on response to my inquiry,is not associated with SCEF; rather, it is an affiliate ~~with~~ of the SCLC.

(Earlier I stopped by a Negro Cleaners. The Negro business owner, a young man in his late 30's, indicated that he had been and is active with the Hallifax movemnt, such as providing transportation and some contributions. I introduced my self as ~~personnxxxxxxx~~ as a person intereseted in voter registration. From his information and belief, he feels that the program has been very active dispite the hostility in the area towards Negroes, and has been effective in voter registration. Becausd ~~ix~~ of the movement, there are now Negro children attending The White schools. He alwayss said "Our" organization etc. I then asked him about JOhn Salter and SCEF. He knew that JOhn Saltker did work for SCEF. He said that he understood that SCEF is supposed to be or have been Communist controlled-but that he didn't

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believe it. He said that he thought that "they" (The Communists) believed in fighting to take over the governement or infiltraating good organizations and taking them over. He felt however that John Salther is a nice boy- who has been working with them, telling them how is the best way of doing things, but not what to do. He felt that Hohn Salter never told them about unchristian ways etc.(While talking to him, I almost began to believe that John Salter was a Negro because of the lack of deferential attitude towwrds him because of his being white.)

Not having been able to bring SCEF involvement with the Hallifax movement as I wanted to before John Salter arrived, when he did come, we had a tense disussion aboit SCef vis-a-vis the Voter Educat90n Project.

I was the first to raise the question. I indicated that VEP, being a research organization, must be able to measure results of VEP activity in a given area. With SCEf in the area, it is difficult to determine results due to VEP activity and results due to SCEF activity. John Salter took the position that VEP is against SCEF because of its alledged "Redness" etc. I responded that VEP would be concerned regardless of the other organization, whether the other organization is NAACP in Savannah, Urban League in Miami , or what have you. VEP could possibly find that "its" activity registered 10,000 and the other organizations will alos claim to have registered the same number. It is necessa ry for VEP to determine who did what.

John Salter then said that we should stop "pussy footing around", the real issue is the red-baiting issue, by the Southe ern REgional Council. He said that he is not responsible for what individuals in SCEF may have done 20 years ago, that he is only responsible for him self to the people in Hallifax Connty. He said thazt he is not a Communist nor ever was one. Johnson then said, concurred with by Mrs. Smith, that they almost did not accept the grant and brought the quwestion before the County Organizstion. They all claime tha t the letters that they have received from WAB have been offensive to them in relation to JOhn Salter.

I answered them that I can not claim to know the present position of VEP in relation to SCEFas they asserted. I told them that I have been instructed to find the manner of involvement of any group in Hallifax County, oyher than VEP, so that we can measure our results. JOhn Salter then daid that SCEF had spent several times more than the chicken feed VEP has sent them.I indicated thazt I am aware of the fund raising by SCEF for the Hallifax movement. John Salter said that expenditures to be used in the area comes out of the general operations fund of SCEF. There is no separate Hallifax fund. He said that SCEF, rather than giving a"grant", has no special budgett for Hallifax . SCEF expenditures in the area, have been the payment of his salary, milage, and printing costs, other than assuming the legal costs .(I know from mh own personal information hta legal costs can r un quite jigh) .

~~John Salter tehn left for the Meeting of the district chairman in the Funeral Parlor. But before he left, I indicated that VEP is concerned wither~~

I indicated thazt VEP is ~~only~~ concerned whether the local movemtn is a viable independent local movement. Every one hastened to tell that it was and re-invited me to att4nd the meeting of all the local preceinct chairman. I said that I had planned to go to Warrenton and Durham this evening-but ~~xxmxxx~~ I would stay to s ee how viable the movementix is. I then asked that if this was an independent loval movement, should not SCEF in its publicity point this up that this was an independent movement ~~xxxx~~ rather than as a SCEF movemnt. Again John Sather thought that this ~~again~~ raising tbe "Red-baiting" point, and said that SCEF is now ready to fight VEP or anybody else over the issue. I quickly replied that I thought SCEF , like VEP, is interested in developing indigenlus local leddership and community orgainization. I said thazt Mississippi COFO is an example of Civil Rights Groups subsiding their publicity identity to this concept. I believe that John Salter was over-responsive towards VEP negatively in relation to the "Red" issue, but understood.

After John left, I discussed with Johnson agbout what he should do again about receiving more assistance from VEP. We then went to the meeting. There were about 50 people sitting there, including 15 County Precinct chairmen. Wehn I was there, the President had given the floor to JOhn Salter who explainedwhat was to happen next weekend. At the prewsent time, the books afe open on the 10th, 17th, and 24th.But they anticiapate some form of "slow down", which in such a case, they will immediately go the very liberal U.S. Distt Court JUdge, and will get the books open during the week. IN order to effect this, they shall have attorneys and law students at eac h precinct(which ~~xx~~ shall be imported by J hn Salter into the area). Also, as in the last massive registration when 2200 were put on the books, they shall have a Poll Watcher and a poll watcher assistant at each Poll. In key precincts, John reported that he has organized ~~in key precincts.~~ 8 cars There was a fine, well paticipated discussion about their proceudures. One person, ReV. Dunlap, a ~~mm~~ person assoceated with SCLC and assisted H.Colton in Danville Va, during the demonstrations and voting registraztion, asked one quewstion, about what to do with ~~xxx~~ ~~with~~ the wekk precincts. REv. Dunlap s uggested that experienced people from the other strong precincts should assist the wek precincts. Salter suggested that no precinct has achieved more 30% , and therefore each precinct should be responsible for its own. (Later, in my few remakes, I indicated that I ~~xx~~ believed that John was right that in developing a grass roots organization, one must build from the lowest kevel- but that in Daytone BEach, I saw the director effectively use a "task Force" to clean up precincts). Another person asked a question about those who ask the workers whether to register "~~xxxx~~ REpublican" or "Democrat". Salter indicated that since the group is non=partizan, it can not suggest to peopoe ~~xxxxxx~~ with which party to register. However, he believed that the people should be informed hthat the present president is a D mocrat and ~~xxx~~ that Goldwater is a REp8blican.

Here, John Salter has the trust of the Negro People in the community. A ain, not because of "defefence". At the meeting, strong Negro leader types would not be dominated or allowed to be dominated. The Hallifax Movement was strong before Salter arrived, I understand. He has been useful because his facilities with techniques. They are using him in that sense. Is a community organization with local leaders.

Johnson, is only the treasurer. Dunlap seems to be as equally strong, although he is only the City leader. They all seem to be aware of difficulty withn VEP. But at the same time, theyb wuld like to use more assistance and use VEP as they are using JOHN Salter. From the information and experience I had , I would conlude that this the group should be supported.

October 19, 1964

Mr. A. Reed Johnson
Halifax Voter Project
P. O. Box 626
Enfield, North Carolina

RE: VEP 4-14

Dear Mr. Johnson:

We have heard nothing further from you since our letter to you of October 5, and since your registration deadline is this week, we conclude that there will be no need for further VEP assistance to your project.

We need a final financial accounting from your project, and request that you pay the outstanding bills which the supplemental grant was sent you on August 28 was intended, and refund to VEP any unused portion of this grant.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Brahton

WAB:js

cc: Financial

A. Reed Johnson
P.O. Box 626
Enfield, No. Carolina

October 17, 1964

WB

Mr. Wiley Branton
Project Director
Voter Education Project
Room 206
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Ga.

OCT 20 1964

Dear Mr. Branton:

We have received your letter, dated October 5, 1964, and the VEP authorized signature card. Enclosed is the card, as you requested.

We had a good visit with Mr. Dew ten days ago, and had felt that we had reached a mutual understanding. After he had left, though, your letter came, and since Mr. Dew had said that he might be back in a few days, we held up answering your letter until he returned. However, he has not returned, so we are now sending the signature card and replying to your letter.

Mr. John Salter will be happy to give you a breakdown of the financial help which SCEF has given to the Halifax Voters Movement. Mr. Salter will write to SCEF to secure approval for this release of specific financial information, and he is certain that he will get that approval. I think that he would like to meet with you in order to clear up any misunderstandings that might exist in regard to his involvement in the Halifax County situation.

Mr. Salter has asked that you correspond directly with him on the SCEF involvement in Halifax County. He will be happy to be of any assistance possible.

For the immediate future, our financial needs, as far as VEP is concerned, run something close to this:

1. Gasoline costs - (to be given to precinct workers)...$150.00
2. Telephone costs - (including long-distance calls).... 85.00
3. Printing costs (non-partisan leaflets, mimeographed). 75.00
4. Postage expenses..... 50.00
5. Office supplies..... 35.00
6. Miscellaneous..... 35.00

Total: $430.00

This is a very close estimate of what we will need to pay certain expenses dating back into this present registration period, and to carry us through the November 3 election.

Sincerely,

A. Reed Johnson
Treasurer
Halifax Voters Movement

Grant No. VEP 4- Amount of Grant $

Agency:

Date of Grant:

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURES: RETURN TO VEP

A. Reed Johnson

For VEP Use Only - Do not write below this line

Restrictions: Balance: Date:

Air Mail Spec.

WB

OCT 23 1964

A. Reed Johnson
P.O. Box 626
Enfield, No. Carolina

October 21, 1964

Mr. Wiley A. Branton
Project Director
Voter Education Project
Room 206
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Ga.

Dear Mr. Branton:

We have received your letter of October 19.

By this time, you should have received our letter of October 17. In that letter, we explained our delay in replying to your October 5 letter.

To us, our relationship with VEP appears more confusing than it has ever been. In looking through our several months of correspondence with VEP, we feel that we have always attempted to answer all questions concerning the Halifax Voters Movement.

We have submitted many budgets to VEP and have made many explanations. But we always seem to have much difficulty in making any connections with VEP.

As we mentioned in our letter of October 17, Mr. John Salter will be very happy to give you a detailed financial breakdown as far as his organization's work in Halifax County is concerned. If possible, he would also like to meet with you to discuss his work in Halifax County.

Several of us from Halifax County will probably be in Atlanta during the middle of next month, and would appreciate an opportunity to see you.

We feel that the budget that we submitted in our letter of October 17 is reasonable and necessary. As we explained, it is needed for expenses incurred during this registration period, and also for expenses which will be incurred through the November 3 election. (It is not just for the registration period.)

We hope that our budget will be given consideration.

Sincerely yours,

A. Reed Johnson
Treasurer
Halifax Voters Movement

November 3, 1964

Mr. A. Reed Johnson
P. O. Box 626
Enfield, North Carolina

RE: VEP 4-14

Dear Mr. Johnson:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of October 28 in which you enclosed the financial accounting for the balance in your VEP account.

I note that your outstanding bills amount to $306, and I am enclosing our VEP check in the amount of $310, to enable you to take care of the outstanding obligations listed in your October 28 letter. I made the check for $4 more than the amount needed on the theory that you may have some bank charges in closing your account, and any balance can be converted to postage, which I am sure you always need. Please send us the final financial accounting within one week so that we can close our account.

We again congratulate you and your co-workers for the very fine job which you have done in the area of voter registration and education. Please send us the information on your registration campaign as quickly as possible.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:js
Encl: $310 check

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JLC

OCT 30 1964

A. Reed Johnson
P.O. Box 626
Enfield, No. Carolina

October 28, 1964

Mr. Wiley A. Branton
Project Director
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street, Northwest
Atlanta 3, Ga.

Dear Mr. Branton:

Enclosed is the information in regard to the $400.00 that was sent to us last month in payment of certain past expenses incurred before June 30, 1964.

We have just finished a long meeting of precinct leaders and the following deals with certain expenses incurred from the beginning of this current registration drive, August 14 1964.

GASOLINE EXPENSES - Three precincts have been able to carry themselves on gasoline. Several others have been able to pay part of their gas expenses. Others have been able to pay little or nothing. The figures given are those gasoline expenses remaining in the various precincts.

Precinct Name	Precinct Leader	Amount
Butterwood	(M. Johnson)	10.00
Conoconnara	(T. Lassiter)	Self-financed
Enfield	(A.R. Johnson)	32.00
Faucetts	(B. Simmons)	25.00
Glenview	(E. Wester)	Self-financed
Halifax	(T. Lassiter)	Self-financed
Hobgood-Palmyra	(J. Moore)	15.00
Hollister	(Z. Johnson)	22.00
Littleton	(E. Solomon)	8.00
Roanoke Rapids	(J. Purnell)	15.00
Roseneath	(F. Harrell)	6.00
Scotland Neck	(A. Jones)	42.00
Weldon	(D. Cochran)	51.00
	Total gas exp.	$226.00

TELEPHONE EXPENSES - Most of the phone calls in our registration campaign have been through John Salter's phone in Enfield or his phone in Raleigh. His organization will pay for those. Some telephone calls, dealing with the registration campaign, have come to other phones.

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Precinct Name	Precinct Leader	Amount
Enfield	A.R. Johnson	43.00
Littleton	E. Solomon	4.00
Weldon	D. Cochran	6.00
	Total phone exp.	$53.00

POSTAGE EXPENSE - The postage expense involved here has been paid by me (A.R. Johnson), and it totals $27.00

GRAND TOTAL: $306.00 ok

Following receipt of the VEP check, we shall immediately draw up fourteen checks, as indicated above, and shall send them out. We hope to have this done by the middle of next week.

There are other expenses - past, present and future - but those have been, or will be, taken care of.

We will send you a final financial report, as well as one dealing with the registration campaign, by about the end of next week.

Sincerely yours,

A. Reed Johnson
Treasurer
Halifax Voters Movement

October 27, 1964

Mr. A. Reed Johnson
Halifax Voters League
P. O. Box 626
Enfield, North Carolina

RE: VEP 4-14

Dear Mr. Johnson:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letters of October 17 and 21, respectively. Your letter of the 17th did not arrive until October 20 while I was on a field trip in the Oxford-Warrenton area of your state.

VEP has now terminated all financial support to agencies throughout the South, and North Carolina was the last state receiving aid because of your late registration deadline.

Even though it is too late for us to make you a grant as such, we would consider making you a supplemental grant to pay any outstanding bills incurred in connection with your last registration program, but only upon the following conditions:

1) Send us a report describing your registration program and results obtained during your last drive which ended on October 24.

2) Send us an up-to-date financial accounting of the funds remaining in your VEP account since your last accounting.

3) Itemize the bill which you will pay with any supplemental funds.

4) You agree that the bills listed in Item 3 above will be paid promptly and a financial accounting submitted to VEP within one week after receipt of any supplemental funds.

This offer to give you supplemental ~~fund~~stance must be considered withdrawn unless we hear from you on or before November 3, 1964. In any event, we shall expect an accounting of the funds remaining in your VEP account.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:js

October 19, 1964

Mr. A. Reed Johnson
Halifax Voter Project
P. O. Box 626
Enfield, North Carolina

RE: VEP 4-14

Dear Mr. Johnson:

We have heard nothing further from you since our letter to you of October 5, and since your registration deadline is this week, we conclude that there will be no need for further VEP assistance to your project.

We need a final financial accounting from your project, and request that you pay the outstanding bills which the supplemental grant was sent you on August 28 was intended, and refund to VEP any unused portion of this grant.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Braxton

WAB:js

cc: Financial

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October 5, 1964

Mr. A. Reed Johnson
Halifax Voters League
P. O. Box 626
Enfield, North Carolina

RE: VEP 4-14

Dear Mr. Johnson:

I do not regard your letter of September 17 as being responsive to my inquiry regarding help from SCEP in your voter registration program. VEP is a research program, and we are expected to be able to study and analyze results which have been achieved from various methods and techniques, together with some indication of costs. When a participating agency received help from some source other than VEP, then we are in no position to discern the effectiveness of our own program unless we can fully understand the extent of participation and involvement of non-VEP agencies. You have repeatedly ignored questions regarding SCEP involvement for some reason, despite their very obvious presence in your community. I am of the opinion that SCEP has made a major contribution to the cause of voter registration in your county, and our records should show the extent of their involvement and assistance.

I know that you are in need of financial assistance, and you have very little time before the books close. The proposed budget which you submitted to us in early July totaled $850 for the period July 14 to September 14. We did not approve that budget, and the period has passed. If you desire any funds from VEP prior to the registration deadline, then you must submit a detailed budget immediately. We probably will require a new financial procedure for your project which will be in accordance with the enclosed instructions. In order to expedite things, you should have those persons who will be authorized to request payment of bills to sign the enclosed signature card and return it to us at once. We will honor

any one signature, although you may have more than one person sign the card. This letter should not be construed as any commitment that we will actually make a grant, but we are trying to expedite your program in the event that you submit a budget which we can approve.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:js
Encls.

WB

M E M O R A N D U M November 21, 1964

TO: Wiley A. Branton
FROM: Jean Levine
RE: Final Accounting on VEP 4-14
(Halifax VEP))

Grant $1710.00

Expenditures:

Adv. Prom. & Print.	$ 79.03	
Fix. & Equip.	97.24	
Meals	25.19	
Office Rent	13.00	
Office Supplies	137.95	
Postage	66.00	
Salaries	74.00	
Tel. & Tel.	684.64	
Trav. & Trans.	511.93	
Utilities	21.02	
Total		1710.00

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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA
WILSON DIVISION

WILLA JOHNSON, individually and as a representative of a class composed of herself and other Negro school teachers of Halifax County, North Carolina, similarly situated, and as a representative of a class composed of herself and other Negro citizens of Halifax County, North Carolina, similarly situated,

Plaintiffs,

vs.

JOSEPH BRANCH, individually and as attorney for the Board of Education of Halifax County, North Carolina,

and

H. HENRY OVERMAN, individually and as Superintendent of Schools of Halifax County, North Carolina,

and

ROM PARKER, individually and as County Attorney for Halifax County, North Carolina,

and

L. M. WILLIAMS, individually and as Principal of T.S. Inborden High School, Halifax County, North Carolina,

and

C. M. MOORE, JR., MRS. J. C. SHEARIN, HENRY L. HARRISON, MRS. V.I. MOHORN, SR., C. H. LEGGETT, MRS. ROBERT ROBINSON and J.D. WHITEHEAD, individually and as members of the Board of Education of Halifax County, North Carolina,

and

R.L. COOPAGE, JOHN McGWIGAN, MRS. WILLIS M. MORRISETTE, MRS. FRANCES ARNOLD and E.W. COPELAND, individually and as members of the District School Committee of District V, Halifax County, North Carolina,

Defendants.

No. _____

COMPLAINT

The plaintiff, for her complaint, alleges:

PARTIES

1. WILLA JOHNSON is a citizen of the United States and a resident of Halifax County in the State of North Carolina. She is a member of the Negro race and was heretofore a school teacher employed by the Board of Education of Halifax County, North Carolina.

2. JOSEPH BRANCH is the attorney for the Board of Education of Halifax County, North Carolina. He is a citizen of the State of North Carolina.

3. H. HENRY OVERMAN is the Superintendent of Schools of Halifax County, North Carolina. He is a citizen of the State of North Carolina.

4. ROM PARKER is the County Attorney for the County of Halifax, North Carolina. He is a citizen of the State of North Carolina.

5. L. M. WILLIAMS is the Principal of T.S. Inborden High School, Halifax County, North Carolina. He is a citizen of the State of North Carolina.

6. C. M. MOORE, JR., MRS. J. C. SHEARIN, HENRY L. HARRISON, MRS. V. I. MOHORN, SR., C. H. LEGGETT, MRS. ROBERT ROBINSON and J. D. WHITEHEAD are members of the Board of Education of Halifax County, North Carolina. They are citizens of the State of North Carolina.

7. R. L. COOPAGE, JOHN McGWIGAN, MRS. WILLIS M. MORRISETTE, MRS. FRANCES ARNOLD and E.W. COPELAND are members of the District School Committee of District V, Halifax County, North Carolina. They are citizens of the State of North Carolina.

JURISDICTION OF THE COURT

8. The jurisdiction of the Court over this complaint arises under Title 28 U.S.C. 1343 (3), Title 42 U.S.C. 1971, 1981, 1983 and 1985, and under the Constitution of the United States and in particular the First, Fifth, Thirteenth, Fourteenth and Fifteenth Amendments thereto.

CAUSE OF ACTION

9. Plaintiff is a founding member of the Halifax County Voters' Movement and Co-Chairman of Enfield Precinct of such Movement, and, commencing in June, 1963, has engaged in picketing, marching demonstrations and the distribution of handbills, and has spoken at public meetings, acted as a poll watcher, performed clerical duties, assisted Negro citizens in their efforts to register to vote in Halifax County, solicited and urged Negro citizens to register and vote in Halifax County, all of which activities were in support of the efforts of the Negro citizens of Halifax County, North Carolina, including plaintiff, to exercise their rights under the statutes and the Constitution of the United States as set forth above. Plaintiff's husband, A. Reid Johnson, her father, Thomas H. Cofield, and her uncle, A.C. Cofield, are among the plaintiffs in William Alston, et al., v. L. M. Buts, et al., presently pending in this Court, wherein the plaintiffs were granted a preliminary injunction against various precinct registrars and members of the Board of Elections of Halifax County, North Carolina, and defendant Rom Parker, County Attorney of Halifax County, North Carolina, restraining the said defendants' cause of conduct which discriminatorily deprived the plaintiff and other members of the Negro race of an opportunity to register and vote. A. Reid Johnson was a candidate for Town Commissioner of Enfield, North Carolina in the general election held in April, 1963. In addition, he was a candidate for nomination as State Senator in the Democratic primary election held on May 30, 1964 for Halifax County, North Carolina. He was Director of the Halifax County Voters' Movement from the time of its formation in February, of 1964, to May, 1964, and is presently Treasurer thereof. A.C. Cofield is presently Chairman of the said Halifax County Voters' Movement. Thomas H. Cofield was a candidate for nomination as State Representative in the Democratic primary election held on May 30, 1964, for Halifax County, North Carolina.

10. Plaintiff is a duly authorized and licensed North Carolina secondary school teacher, holding Certificate No. 408340. For approximately twelve years past, she has been employed as an English teacher at T.S. Inborden High School, Enfield, North Carolina (hereinafter referred to as "the School") by the Board of Education of Halifax County, North Carolina, which High School is located in School District V of Halifax County. Plaintiff has at all times faithfully and diligently discharged her duties as an English teacher and homeroom teacher in the said High School , and, in addition thereto:

(a) has sponsored the school Honor Society;

(b) organized the school's first Student Council and helped to obtain a charter for it from the Association of Secondary School Principals;

(c) served as faculty advisor to the school's student newspaper for three years;

(d) assisted in the preparation of the school's Handbook for Teachers.

(e) served as a member of the school's Ways and Means Committee;

(f) served as Chairman of the school's Scholarship Committee.

(g) served as Chairman of the English Curriculum Study Group for the Negro schools in Halifax County.

(h) served as Chairman of the High School Teachers Study Group for the Negro schools in Halifax County.

(i) received a public tribute from the North Carolina State Supervisor of English Studies.

(j) is a member of the National Education Association of the North Carolina Teachers Association.

(k) is Secretary of the Halifax County Teachers Association.

(l) is serving as a delegate from the school to the North Carolina Teachers Association.

(m) was instrumental in obtaining the only two college scholarships awarded to the school students during the 1963-64 academic year.

Plaintiff possesses a Bachelor of Science degree from Hampton Institute, Hampton, Virginia, and has engaged in substantial graduate work towards a Master of Science degree at Howard University and the University of Pennsylvania.

11. On or about June 2, 1964, and after the close of the 1963-1964 school year, plaintiff was notified by defendant L. M. Williams that her employment contract would not be renewed for the 1964-1965 academic year.

12. The decision not to renew plaintiff's employment contract was made by the defendants herein, acting in concert, and was arbitrary, capricious and malicious and without legal cause and was designed to intimidate and deter and harass plaintiff and the members of the classes which she represents in the exercise of their rights under the statutes and the Constitution of the United States as set forth above and to penalize plaintiff solely because of her exercise of such rights.

13. That the actions of the defendants in depriving plaintiff of her employment in violation of her rights under the statutes and the Constitution of the United States as aforesaid was the result of a plan, agreement and conspiracy entered into by the defendants, wilfully and with intent, under the color of state law, statutes, Constitution, custom, policy and authority, to accomplish such result.

14. That by reason of the foregoing, plaintiff has suffered and continues to suffer intense mental and emotional pain and suffering, embarrassment and humiliation and has sustained special and general damages.

15. That by reason of the foregoing, plaintiff and the classes of Negroes that she represents are suffering and, unless restrained by this Court, will continue to suffer grave and irreparable harm in that the actions of the defendants as aforesaid has the necessary effect of deterring, harassing, intimidating and penalizing them in the exercise of their rights under the Constitution of the United States and particularly Amendments First, Fifth, Fourteenth and Fifteenth thereto.

16. Plaintiff has no adequate remedy at law.

WHEREFORE plaintiff prays for relief as follows:

(a) for an order temporarily and permanently enjoining and restraining the defendants, and all others acting in concert with them, from any actions designed to intimidate, deter and harass plaintiff and the members of the classes which she represents in the exercise of their rights under the statutes and the Constitution of the United States as set forth above, or to penalize them because of the exercise thereof.

(b) for an order temporarily and permanently ordering the appropriate defendants to renew plaintiff's employment contract as an English teacher at T. S. Inborden High School, Enfield, North Carolina.

(c) for an order temporarily and permanently enjoining and restraining the defendants from failing to renew the employment contracts of plaintiff and the members of the classes which she represents because of the exercise by them of their rights under the statutes and Constitution of the United States as set forth above.

(d) that plaintiff be awarded special damages as provided by law.

(e) that plaintiff be awarded exemplary damages in the sum of $250,000.00.

(f) that plaintiff be awarded reasonable counsel fees.

(g) that such other and further relief be granted which may be necessary to protect the rights of the plaintiff and the classes which she represents.

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511 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York 10017

December 12, 1962

Mrs. Eva M. Clayton
General Delivery
Warrenton, North Carolina

Dear Mrs. Clayton:

I regret that I must inform you that the Voter Education Project cannot make a grant for the Leadership Conference which you are currently conducting at Kittrell, Junior College.

I am pleased to state, however, that we will give further consideration to a possible grant to support your Follow-Up Workshops in Voter Registration which you intend to conduct in the four counties involved. If you will send us a proposed budget for the workshops together with information regarding the date or dates when these workshops will be conducted, then we will give immediate attention to the request.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:jl

4- Project Proposals Rejected

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General Delivery
Warrenton, North Carolina

November 27, 1962

Mr. Wiley A. Branton
Voter Education Project
Rm 206
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of November 20, in which you requested the Name of the Organization which conducts the leadership workshop sessions.

It should be noted that the Workshop was really formulated and started by no organization as such at first, but by a small group of persons who felt this was needed. However, those persons attending the Workshop from these various conties expressed a desire to organize a permanent Organization which would be responsible for securing and sharing information concerning Voter-Registration, Civil Rights and citizenship in general.

The name of this organization is Multi County Civic Educational Organization. I am Program Chairman (serve as planner of the workshop). We would be glad to furnish additional information upon request.

Sincerely,
Eva M. Clayton
(Mrs.) Eva M. Clayton

BG ~~11/27/62~~
11/28/62

November 20, 1962

Mrs. Eva M. Clayton
General Delivery
Warrenton, North Carolina

Dear Mrs. Clayton:

Your letter of November 13 arrived last week while I was in California and that accounts for the delay in answering.

The Voter Education Project can only consider requests from organizations or corporations, and in reviewing your correspondence I do not see the name of any organization. In order that we may properly consider your request, I would appreciate your letting me know the name under which you conduct the leadership conferences and indicate your title or relationship to such organizations.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:jl

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PRESIDENT

BISHOP FRANK MADISON REID
CHAIRMAN, BOARD OF TRUSTEES

KITTRELL COLLEGE

KITTRELL, NORTH CAROLINA

Office of

TELEPHONE GENEVA 8-4431

NOV 15 1962

November 13,,1962

Mr. Wiley A. Branton
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton:

Thank you for your letter of November 9, in which you indicatee the procedure necessary to apply for financial assistance.

We would like to apply for financial assistance from the Voter Education Project in the amount of($300.00) three hundred dollars. This is inclusive of all expected expenses. I am enclosing a detailed budget.

The workshop was planned to include four different counties; however as to date three are participating. The expected number of participants was 25; however we have only succeeded in recruiting 18 persons,of which only 13 have paid. I am still working on the one county not participating.

We would appreciate your sincere consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Eva M. Clayton

Eva M. Clayton

P.S.
Please mail all correspondence to my home address:

General Delivery
Warrenton, N. C.

BUDGET

LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP

Literature	$125.00
Speaker's Traveling Expenses	75.00
Stationary, postage, & supplies	35.00
Incidentials - (typing, refreshments, transportation and etc.	50.00
Appreciation donation to Kittrell College (for use of buildings and facilities)	50.00
Aid to Follow-Up Workshops in Voter-Registration (purchasing of literature)	50.00
Total	$385.00

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November 9, 1962

Mrs. Eva M. Clayton
General Delivery
Warrenton, North Carolina

Dear Mrs. Clayton:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of October 31, in which you describe a workshop centered around an "action course in practical politics" which is currently going on at Kittrell Junior College.

I certainly wish to commend you and the coordinators and other interested leaders for your foresight in planning and conducting this vitally needed political leadership workshop.

Your letter does not make a specific request for any financial assistance, although you indicate that you are running short of the needed funds. In the event that you are seeking financial assistance from the Voter Education Project, then we will need a detailed budget of your financial needs for the overall program together with a request for a specific amount, before we can give any consideration to your request. This letter should not be construed as an indication that any grant will be forthcoming from the Voter Education Program, but only is mentioned to indicate the procedure necessary for our consideration.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:jl

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General Delivery
Warrenton, N. C.
October 31, 1962

Mr. Wiley Branton
Director Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Rm. 206
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton:

I am writing in the interest of a leadership workshop which is concerned with voter's education. I was referred to you by Thomas McPherson, Jr.. He suggested that I write you decribing the workshop.

This workshop is planned by volunteer leaders of several counties in North Carolina. The workshop will be centered around an "Action Course in Practical Politics". We are interested in supplimenting this with literature (voter-registration, desegregation, citizenship and etc.) from various agencies. Resource people in the area of human relations will be invited occasionally to share their experiences with us.

I am enclosing a descriptive sheet of the workshop; general aims of the workshop; a list of Resource People asked to participate; a listing of the supplimentary literature.

The coodinators of the workshop are Dr. J. P. Green (Vance County) and Attorney T. T. Clayton (Warren County) they have been responsible for recruiting participants, who are key persons in these various counties. I have been involved in securing available information and contacting Resource People.

We had hoped to finance this project by charging a small fee of $7.00 per participant for the cost of the Action Course, supplimentary literature, honorariums for speakers and incidentials. The planning committee is very much aware that the workshop will run short of the needed funds even if each participant (25 participants desired) paid the stated fee.

If there are any other questions concerning the workshop, please write. We will welcome any suggestion concerning this endeavor.

Sincerely,
Eva M. Clayton
(Mrs.) Eva M. Clayton

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GENERAL AIMS OF THE LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP

I. To encourage leaders to become individually active and effective in exercising their political responsibility.

II. Make available to these participants information concerning voter-registration, desegregation and citizenship in general.

III. Local leaders from each individual county are to plan and conduct follow-up workshop in voter's registration.

SUPPLIMENTARY LITERATURE

The National Chamber of Commerce

Action Course in Practical Politics consists of:

- A set of pamphlets for each participant
- A set of "Case Problems in Practical Politics" for each participant
- A set of assignment checklists

Southern Regional Council

- The Negro and the Ballot
- School Desegregation
- Map- Percentage of Non-white population in Counties of Southern States.
- Racial Violence & law enforcement
- The unequal Badge

American Friends Service Committee

Belief into Action

Congressional Directory (87th)

How to Visit Your Congressman

How to Write a letter to the Editor

How to work in Politics

Superintendent of Ducments

General Population characteristics of North Carolina

LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP

PURPOSE We are concerned with good government and want to take our roles as active citizens and leaders in a democracy. Because we feel that informed leadership is the best leadership - this workshop is planned.

COODINATORS Dr. J. P. Green and Attorney T. T. Clayton

WHAT IT IS - HOW IT WORKS The workshop will be centered around an "Action Course in Practical Politics", prepared by the National Chamber of Commerce. It consists of nine two-hours workshops to be held once a week. The workshops are discussions sessions which will be supplimented with literature from other agencies. Resource people in area of human relations will be invited occasionally to share their experiences with us.

WHO CAN ATTEND Volunteer leaders from Vance, Warren, Franklin, and Granville counties; who are actively involved in the political and civic life of their respective county.

Where AND Where The Workshop will be held at Kittrell Junior College, Kittrell, N. C. First session begins at 7:00 p.m., October 25, 1962.

COST A small fee of $7.00 will be charged to take care of the cost of the Action Course, supplimentary literature and incidentials.

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REGISTRATION BLANK

Please register me:

Mail to:
Mrs. E. M. Clayton
Kittrell Junior College
Kittrell, N.C.

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

Name of the civic organization which you are a member: _____

_____

Enclosed is fee of $7.00 _____

Will pay on First Session _____
October 25, 1962

RESOURCE PEOPLE

1. Attorney F. McKissick----------N.A.A.C.P. Official Adviser to Student Demonstrators

2. Mr. Richard Ramsay----------Planner of Voter-Registration Project. American Friends Service Committee

3. Mr. Charles Davis----------School Desegregation Program in North Carolina, A.F.S.C.

4. Dr. C. E. Boulware----------College Professor, Local Politician and member of D.C.N.A.

5. Mr. Louis Alston----------Publisher & Editor of Carolina Times, Durham, N. C.

6. Mr. Bill Bagwell----------School Desgregation Program

PLANNING COMMITTEE

Dr. J. P. Green & Attorney T. T. Clayton---Coodinators

Mrs. W. V. Easley

Mrs. J. P. Green----------Registrar

Mrs. E. M. Clayton

June 25, 1962

Mrs. Eva M. Clayton
Post Office
General Delivery
Warrenton, North Carolina

Dear Mrs. Clayton:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of June 19 in which you express interest in working full time in North Carolina with voter registration. The Voter Education Project maintains a very small staff operating out of the Atlanta office.

The NAACP plans rather extensive registration efforts in North Carolina, and I am taking the liberty of sending your letter to Mr. Roy Wilkins so that he might refer it to persons in charge of the NAACP registration efforts for further consideration. I feel certain that the NAACP will get in touch with you if they are at all interested in utilizing your services.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton
Project Director

WAB:gwc

cc: Mr. Roy Wilkins

LAW OFFICES OF
F. B. McKISSICK
213½ WEST MAIN STREET
DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA

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RESIDENCE 682-6576

FEB 28 1963

February 27, 1963

Mr. Wiley Brandon,
Director of Voter Registration
Southern Regional Council
Room 201, 5 Forsyth Street N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Brandon:

I have had two meetings with a group of citizens from Warren County, North Carolina who are desirous of commencing a Major Voter Registration Campaign in Warren and surrounding Counties. The group has formed an organization known as "The Multi-County Civic and Educational Association". Negroes make up 58% of the total population of Warren County while whites comprise 42%. It was this Congressional District that sent the last Negro to Congress from the State of North Carolina, George White, in 1898.

Warren County, which has a population of 19,652, is located in the second United States Congressional District. The Second Congressional District comprises the counties of Warren, Northampton, Halifax, Bertie, Edgecomb, Wilson, Greene and Lenoir, which are located in our Blackbelt. This District is represented in Congress by L. H. Fountain, D. of Tarboro, North Carolina, (Fountain has done nothing of any significance in Congress and he is very conservative).

Our Third (State) Senatorial District is comprised of Warren, Vance, and Northampton, while Edgecomb and Halifax counties make up the Fourth Senatorial District. Both districts could elect a Negro to the North Carolina Legislature. The State Representative from Warren County is Jack Kerr, Jr., who has initiated by his remarks to the President of A & T College, a strong desire on the part of our people to remove him from office and to start a Major Voter Registration Drive in this Area. Attached hereto please find newspaper clipping which is self-explanatory.

VEP 4-15

The purpose of this letter is to make a request for funds to enable us to commence a Voter Registration Drive in this Area. The group mentioned above has contacted the NAACP and CORE for assistance and they have requested my assistance in helping organize the drive. I desire to know if the Southern Regional Council is willing to adopt this project as one of their Major goals for this year as well as for 1964 and 1965.

With the view in mind of sending a Negro to the United States Congress by the next general election and at least one to the State Legislature, we are making the request "now" in order that you may act on same, in the event a Budget is being presently considered.

In the meantime, we are formulating detailed plans for this drive which will be completed in the very near future. Same will be presented to you for your consideration. If a conference is desired by you in regard to this matter kindly advise or if you desire to visit the area kindly advise. Municipal Elections will be held in May of 1963, and much can be done in the cities, in this regard between now and May. The Registration Books in these counties will normally not be open except the four weeks prior to Primaries, Local and National Election. None have the open registration system. Notwithstanding this fact, much work can be done in the area by students during the summer as follows:

1. Organizing Ministers.

2. Organizing Countywide Political and Social Action Organizations.

3. Organizing Youth Organizations to assist with Voter Registration.

4. To Co-ordinate, and better develop existing organizations in the area and help each to encourage Voter Registration Education.

5. To teach election laws by conducting workshops in each county.

6. To do all things necessary in destroying the apathy which exist in the area.

This project will require financing. There are adult NAACP Chapters in the areas but all have not been active. The main impetus in this movement will have to come from the Youth whom the adults will support. Our plan, which will be submitted within the next thirty (30) days will set out in detail how the job is to be accomplished, the personnel needed for the job, the finance needed, and any other information that you may desire. The key-people of the MCCE Association are as follows:

President: Mr. T. T. Clayton
Attorney - Warrenton
Route 2
Louisburg, North Carolina

Vice Pres.: Rev. S. G. Dunston
Route 2
Louisburg, North Carolina

Secretary: Mr. C. C. Alston
Route 3
Louisburg, North Carolina

Treasurer: Mr. G. M. Brown
General Delivery
Warrenton, North Carolina

You will note that I am sending a copy of this letter to the President of the MCCE Association, Mr. T. T. Clayton, Mr. John Wheeler, our mutual friend with whom I have discussed this matter and who is familiar with much of the content of this letter, and of course, Mr. Kelly Alexander, President of the State Conference of the NAACP, Mr. Gordon Carey, Program Director of CORE, and Mr. John Brooks, NAACP Voter Registration Secretary, as all have at one time or the other discussed this matter with me or representatives of this area. I shall look forward to an early reply.

With very kind regards, I am

Yours very truly,

F. B. McKissick
Attorney at Law

FBM:ls

cc: Messrs: Clayton, Wheeler, Alexander, Carey, Brooks

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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE
NORTH CAROLINA STATE CONFERENCE
OFFICE OF THE CHAIRMAN, LEGAL REDRESS COMMITTEE
203½ E. CHAPEL HILL STREET
POST OFFICE BOX 1428
DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA

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October 29, 1963

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Derrick Bell, Jr., Esquire
NAACP Legal Defense and
Educational Fund, Inc.
10 Columbus Circle
New York 19, New York

3136 OCT 30 '63

Dear Derrick:

When I was in New York last, I spoke to you in reference to Mrs. Eva Clayton, Warrenton, North Carolina, who has done a terrific job in this small rural section.

I would like to see Mrs. Clayton committed to the Voter Registration Movement to work only in what is called the "Black Belt" section in North Carolina, consisting of seven counties on a Voter Registration Drive, which should be started now. You will recall that I asked you to speak to Mr. Brant concerning her on some kind of a financial basis. I can recommend Mrs. Clayton without reservation.

Please call this to Mr. Brant's attention. There is no conflict and I am sure that Kelly Alexander would be glad to see Mrs. Clayton employed in these counties working under the auspicies of the State Conference of the NAACP, and Charles McLean, Field Secretary. I am enclosing for your information, some material tendered to me, along with newspaper clippings, etc.

Give my love to your wife and your heir.

Sincerely yours,

C. O. Pearson

C. O. Pearson

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Post Office Box 612
Warrenton, North Carolina
September 26, 1963

Mr. Kelly Alexander
112 N. Irwin Drive
Charlotte 2, North Carolina

Dear Sir:

I am extremely interested in a Voter's Registration Project being conducted in North Carolina; particularly in eastern North Carolina.

I am presently living in Warren County which has a population of 20,000 of which 65% are non-white, yet has only 11.1% registration of eligible Negroes. Warren County is in the second United States Congressional District. This district includes:

Halifax County - 55% non-white population
Bertie County - 59% non-white population
Northampton County - 64% non-white population
Edgecomb County - 52% non-white population
Wilson County - 40% non-white population
Greene County - 50% non-white population
Lenoir County - 40% non-white population

This section of the state is commonly referred to as the "Black-belt." These and other facts of which I am sure you are familiar; would make Eastern North Carolina an excellent place to conduct a Voter Registration Campaign.

This could be an excellent opportunity for the State Conference of the NAACP to sponsor such a project in this area. I have had personal contact with Wiley Brandon, director of Voter Registration of the Southern Regional Council, who indicated an interest in aiding a well developed plan for Voter Registration in this general area. I plan to write a complete proposal with detailed plans for such a project to submit to Mr. Brandon. I would prefer to do this under the sponsorship of the State NAACP; for this organization has been the real pioneers in all phases of Civil Rights in North Carolina and should retain this position of leadership. The local chapter of the NAACP was also responsible for sponsoring a workshop in Citizenship

Education this past summer in Warren and Franklin Counties which has aroused the interest of many of the Negro citizens.

I would be interested in having a conference with you to discuss a project of this type. I have discussed this idea with Mr. Conrad Pearson and whom I am sending a copy of this letter.

My educational background: B. S., Johnson C. Smith University; M. S., North Carolina College. Experience: High School Teacher for three years, Research Technician in the School of Medicine at the University of North Carolina, taught at Kittrell Junior College.

I have been active with the Youth Activities of our local chapter of the NAACP. Enclosed are newspaper clippings which are indicative of our activities.

I would appreciate your immediate consideration in this matter.

Respectfully,

(Mrs.) Eva M. Clayton

Enclosures

CC Atty. Conrad Pearson

REFERENCE TO NEWSPAPER ARTICLES

I. "WHY THE BOYCOTT"--an editorial written by the editor of Warren Record on September 5, 1963

II. INACTION IS SAID CAUSE OF BOYCOTT--This is the answer given to above editorial by the local NAACP Negotiating Committee

III. "MAYOR WILL APPOINT BI-RACIAL COMMITTEE"--Report of the Town's commissioners meeting. The effective boycott which had been conducted was the pressuring method which caused the mayor to consider a bi-racial committee.

IV. "BI-RACIAL COMMITTEE NEEDED"--an editorial by the editor of Warren Record on September 13, 1963. (Please note: the change in attitude of the editor in one week.)

V. "SHOULD KEEP FAITH"--an editorial, September 13, 1963.

Our present status in this protest movement:

Secured three clerks in local stores. As yet our mayor hasn't finished appointing the bi-racial committee. We are still boycotting and picketing those stores which have not cooperated with our requests.

Dear Wiley,

Have you been able to approve Mrs. Clayton's product. C. O. Iverson favors it & wants to know what help can be expected from you.

Derrick

12-11-63

December 4, 1963

Mrs. Eva M. Clayton
P.O. Box 612
Warrenton, North Carolina

Dear Mrs. Clayton:

I am in receipt of a copy of a letter which you wrote to Mr. Kelly Alexander under date of September 26, 1963, inquiring about the possibility of an NAACP-sponsored voter registration project in eastern North Carolina.

I am very much interested in knowing whether Mr. Alexander has replied to your letter and also what is the status of your request to him or to any other agency concerning a voter registration program such as you described.

An immediate reply would be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:jl
cc: Mr. C. O. Pearson

RTB
Return to WBV

Post Office Box 533
Warrenton, North Carolina
December 9, 1963

Statewide

DEC 10 1963

Mr. Wiley A. Branton
Voter Education Project
Room 206
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton:

Thanks for your letter of December 4, 1963.

I did receive a very promising letter from Kelly Alexander stating his interest in having me work with Voter Registration in North Carolina, particularly Eastern North Carolina. Since that time, I have had two conversations with him wherein he indicated his hopes to get a program in action as soon as plans were completed. The status of this request is indifinite.

The need for an organized effort in Voter Registration still exists in our area as well as in North Carolina. Recently, the North Carolina Council of the NAACP Youth held a conference on Voter Registration in Rocky Mount, N. C. of which I served as a consultant. To get the job done for individual counties, we must coordinate the energy, vigor, and imagination of the youth with the maturity and experience of the adults.

There is a state referendum to be held January 14, 1964 here in North Carolina which means the Registration Books will be open three weeks prior to this election. This time could be used to produce more voters if an organized plan could be worked out and financed.

Again, I am appreciative of your interest in our efforts in Voter Registration.

Very truly yours,

Eva M. Clayton

(Mrs.) Eva M. Clayton

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CC: Mr. C. O. Pearson

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P.O. Box 533
Warrenton, N. C.

March 7, 1964

Mr. Wiley A. Branton
5 Forsyth Street
Room 206
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton:

I have corresponed with you several times regarding Warren County's plight in regards to registered voters. I have also written to you through other channels about this situation.

The Warren County N.A.A.C.P. Chapter asked me to serve as chairman of the registration committee. This committee has been formed and has had two meetings to plan a county wide effort to register 2,000 Negroes.

The committee has written the enclosed proposal which states plans for conducting this registration drive. This committee would like to request financial assistance in this effort.

We would be happy to answer any questions concerning this proposal

With best wishes, we are

Respectfully,

Registration Committee

to start - at once -
Reg. starts May 2 & runs to May 16

Eva M. Clayton

(Mrs.) Eva M. Clayton

Chairman

~~Proposals Pending~~
VEP 4-15

VOTER
REGISTRATION
DRIVE

LEADERSHIP
WORKSHOP

March 23, 1964

SNOWHILL BAPTIST CHURCH

Reverend E. L. Brodie
Minister

P R O G R A M

11:00 A. M.

OPENING PRAYER - - - - - Reverend E. L. Brodie

SONG

WELCOME TO THE WORKSHOP - - - Mrs. Edna Wright

INTRODUCTION OF VOLUNTEER LEADERS

WARREN COUNTY - - - - - Mr. Spencer Skipper
VANCE COUNTY - - - - - - - - Dr. J. P. Green
FRANKLIN COUNTY - - Reverend J. P. Mangrum

PURPOSE OF THE WORKSHOP

GENERAL REGISTRATION PROCEDURES
Mr. Charles McLean

LUNCH
1:00 - 2:00
(THANKS TO MRS. C. PLUMMER AND FOOD COMMITTEE WHO PREPARED OUR LUNCH.)

DISCUSSION GROUPS
(Each DISCUSSION will last 20 minutes.)

FREEDOM SONGS - - - - - - - - - - Mr. Robert Blow

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

GOALS

WARREN COUNTY
VANCE COUNTY
FRANKLIN COUNTY
2nd CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT - Reverend Dudley
NORTH CAROLINA - - - - - Reverend C. W. Ward

CLOSING REMARKS - - - - - - Mr. John M. Brooks

DISCUSSION GROUPS

TOWNSHIP ORGANIZATION
Mr. John M. Brooks, Resource Leader
Dr. J. P. Green, Lay Leader
Mrs. Flora Terry, Lay Leader

MATERIAL AND AIDS
Mr. John Bradley, Resource Leader
Mrs. Dorothy Turner, Lay Leader
Mr. J. H. Wilson, Lay Leader

REGISTRATION PUBLICITY
Mr. Charles McLean, Resource Leader
Mr. Thomas Baskett, Lay Leader
Mrs. Florence Somerville, Lay Leader

HOW TO PERSUADE THEM
Reverend C. W. Ward, Resource Leader
Reverend J. P. Mangrum, Lay Leader
Mr. Spencer Skipper, Lay Leader

EVENING PROGRAM

M A S S M E E T I N G

8:00 P. M.

PRAYER

FREEDOM SONGS

OFFERING

INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER - - Mr. Ernest Turner

SPEAKER - - - - - - - - - - Mr. Charles McLean

REMARKS

WORKSHOP

RESOURCE LEADERS

Mr. J. M. Brooks, National Director
NAACP VOTER REGISTRATION
Richmond, Virginia

Mr. Charles McLean
North Carolina NAACP Field Director
Winston-Salem, North Carolina

Reverend C. W. Ward
North Carolina NAACP Voter Registration
Raleigh, North Carolina

Dr. J. P. Green, President
Vance County Voter's League
Henderson, North Carolina

Reverend J. P. Mangrum, Chairman
Franklin County Voter Registration
Committee
Franklinton, North Carolina

Mr. Spencer Skipper, Chairman
Warren County Voter Registration
Committee
Ridgeway, North Carolina

Reverend Dudley
2nd Congressional District

SPONSORED BY

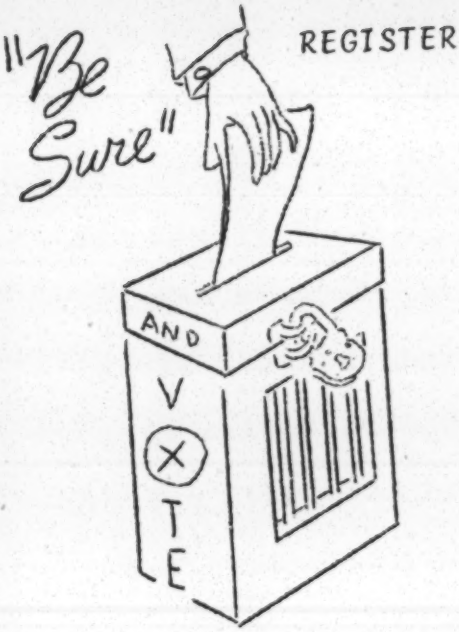
WARREN COUNTY VOTER REGISTRATION
COMMITTEE

IN COOPERATION WITH

VANCE COUNTY VOTER'S LEAGUE

FRANKLIN COUNTY VOTER REGISTRATION
COMMITTEE

BEYOND THE BALLOT BOX



WARREN COUNTY

VOTER-REGISTRATION

PROJECT

The free ballot box is the symbol of democracy. It provides a key to a society of freedom, justice and security. At the ballot box, as before the bar of justice, every citizen is equal. Beyond the ballot box lies the Promised Land with opportunity for individual and group advancement.

V O T I N G . . .

Makes it possible for you to help choose the local, state, and federal officials who govern you--

Gives you a voice in determining:

- the kind of school YOUR children attend
- the kind of treatment YOU receive at the hands of police
- the kind of justice YOU get in courts
- the kind of welfare service YOU can get for YOUR FAMILY in time of need
- the kind of hospital treatment YOU get when you are sick
- the kind of job YOUR CHILDREN can get with your city, state, or country
- how much taxes YOU have to pay and how your tax money is spent

Helps you on the road to the Promised Land where there will be a better life for YOU and YOUR FAMILY

OF COURSE,

TO VOTE AT ALL--

YOU'VE GOT TO

R E G I S T E R !

To Register you are required to . .

(1) IDENTIFY YOURSELF

(a) Name
(b) Address

(2) GIVE YOUR AGE

(3) ESTABLISH YOUR RESIDENCE

(a) Township
(b) Time you have lived in your township

(4) GIVE YOUR RACE AND SEX

(5) STATE YOUR PARTY

(a) Democratic
(b) Republican
(c) Independent

(6) A READING TEST

(Perfection in reading is NOT REQUIRED--ONLY reasonable accuracy is necessary)

ATTEND A VOTER-REGISTRATION WORKSHOP IN YOUR COMMUNITY

WHERE TO REGISTER

RIVER - Mrs. Hazel Hedgepeth
King Implement Co.
Littleton, N. C.

SIXPOUND - Mrs. Charlie Harris
Harris Service Sta.
Macon, N. C.

HAWTREE - W. K. Newell
Old Post Office Bld.
Wise, N. C.

SMITH CREEK - Martin Hayes
Hayes Store
Oine Community

NUTBUSH - R. C. Mitchell
Mitchell Store
Drewry Community

SANDY CREEK - Lynwood Ayscue
Ayscue Store
Vicksboro, N. C.

SHOCCO - Boyd Reams
Afton, N. C.

FISHING CREEK - Roy Pittman
Pittman's Store
Grove Hill Community

JUDKINS - Milton Overby
Jesse Harris Old Store
Vaughan, N. C.

W. WARRENTON - Alfred W. Wilson
Agriculture Bld.
Warrenton, N. C.

E. WARRENTON - W. R. Strickland
Martin Plummer's Co.
Main Street, or
City Hall, Front St.
Warrenton, N. C.

FORK - Harry Williams, Jr.
Home of the Reigistrar
Inez, N. C.

ROANOKE - L. W. Kidd

NORLINA - Mrs. Julia D. Stokes
Mayor's Office
Norlina, N. C.

R E G I S T R A T I O N

P E R I O D

MAY 2, 1964 - MAY 16, 1964

The Registration Books shall be open for the registration of voters on May 2, 1964 and shall close May 16, 1964. On each day (Sunday excepted) during this period, the Registrar for each election precinct in the county will keep his book open for the registration of voters of such election precinct. On each Saturday during this period, each Registrar will attend with his registration books at the POLLING PLACE in his election precinct.

OPENING TIME: 9:00 A.M.

CLOSING TIME: Sunset

THEN--

VOTE IN THE DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY ELECTION FOR THE CANDIDATES OF YOUR CHOICE ON

SATURDAY, MAY 30

. . . . . .

ENCOURAGE OTHERS TO REGISTER AND VOTE!

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April 2, 1964

Mrs. Eva M. Clayton
P.O. Box 533
Warrenton, North Carolina

Dear Mrs. Clayton:

Mr. Randolph Blackwell has recommended that we proceed immediately to give financial assistance to the Warrenton County Voter Registration Program. While we normally do not make direct grants to local NAACP chapters we find that certain conditions peculiar to North Carolina require us to make an exception. If the local branch of NAACP is the organization which is really going to do the work let us know and if it is to be done under the name of some other organization we will need to know the name of that organization and the names and addresses of the officers.

It will be a few days before we can tell you the exact amount of the grant but we will require the use of triplicate voucher checks in any event and we will require the opening of a special bank account which will be used only for the disbursement of monies coming from VEP. If you will send us a blank check showing the name of the bank which you will use, the name of the account, and any electronic account numbers which may be used we can proceed immediately to place your order for voucher checks here in Atlanta and bill you for the actual cost of the checks. Will you please type on the check the exact manner in which you wish to have your signature lines appear and the name of

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the account.

By way of suggestion only, you might use the name Warrenton County Voter Project as the name of your bank account for this special program.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:jl

P.S. Mr. Blackwell thought you might want to include Vance and Franklin Counties in your program and if so you should inform us.

WARREN COUNTY

VOTER-REGISTRATION PROJECT

Warrenton, North Carolina

April 6, 1964

Mr. Wiley A. Branton
Project Director
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

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Thank you, Mr. Branton . . .

. . . for your letter of April 2, 1964. We were glad to hear that the Voter Education Project will assist us in our efforts here.

We have set up a Voter-Registration Organization to direct our voter-registration activities. This organization is made up of leaders of local N.A.A.C.P. chapters of Warren, Vance, and Franklin Counties, and other organizations within this area. We have done this inorder to create more continuity between the many organizations rather than working through existing ones. Our main effort will be in Warren County. However, we are currently conducting workshops and dducational activities in all three counties which will continue through the May Primary.

Our organization, Warren County Voter-Registration Project, has the following officers:

Chairman: Mrs. Eva M. Clayton
Co-Chairman: Mr. Spencer Skipper
N.A.A.C.P., Warren County
Secretary: Mrs. Edna Wright
Multi-County Civic Association, Warren Co.
Treasurer: Mr. Thomas Baskett
American Legion, Warren Co.
Vance County: Dr. J. P. Green
President, Vance Co. Voter's League
Program Chairman, Multi-County Civic Ass.
Franklin County: Rev. G. S. Dunston
President, Franklin Co. S.C.L.C.
Vice President, Multi-Co. Civic Ass.
Rev. J. P. Mangrum
President, Franklin Co. Voter-Registration Committee

Committees:
Church Committee - Rev. Alex Brown
Publicity Committee - Mrs. Florence Somerville
Refreshment Committee - Mrs. T. A. Alston
Organizational Committee - Mrs. Edna Tunstall

Enclosed is a blank check of the Citizens Bank of Warrenton where our funds are handled. We have enclosed a sample check showing the manner in which signature lines should appear and the name of the account.

We appreciate your interest in our effort.

Sincerely yours,

Eva M. Clayton

(Mrs.) Eva M. Clayton

EMC:c

Mrs. Eva M. Clayton, Co-Chairman
Warren County Voter Registration Project
Warrenton, North Carolina

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The Warren County Voter Registration Project is currently conducting an extensive campaign to get every qualified citizen in Warren, Vance, and Franklin Counties registered by May 30. The Voter Registration Committee is composed of representatives from the N.A.A.C.P., Multi-County Civic Association, and other civic and religious organizations throughout the three counties. Mr. Spencer Skipper of Norlina and Mrs. Eva Clayton of Warrenton are serving as co-chairmen; Mrs. Edna Wright, secretary; and Mr. Tom Baskett, treasurer.

The need for all citizens to express themselves in a representative government is vital to the democratic ideal. Many citizens have not been conscience of the importance of voting and participating fully in the political life of their community. This Voter Registration Project is a non-partisan effort to

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stimulate all citizens to function fully as a citizen by registering and voting on all issues and candidates.

The Warren Voter Registration Project will work cooperatively with the State Program of the N.A.A.C.P. and other civic organizations that are interested in Voter-Registration as a project. The drive will include the following activities:

(1) Workshops in churches and homes in the 12 townships of the county

(2) Door-to-door canvasses will be conducted by adult and youth leaders to contact their neighbors and friends about registering.

(3) Distribution of voter-registration information and literature throughout the county.

Headquarters for the project has been set up on East Franklin Street in Warrenton on the second floor of Brown's Building. This office is open daily to assist anyone desiring information on registering and for persons who are interested in volunteering to help in this important movement. All interested citizens are asked to help make this registration drive a big success.

The Voter Education Project of Atlanta, Georgia has expressed enthusiastic interest in the efforts of the Warren County Project and is expected to make a grant to help finance the registration efforts.

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WARREN COUNTY

VOTER REGISTRATION PROJECT

P. O. Box 533
Warrenton, North Carolina

April 9, 1964

Dear Church Leader:

A VOTELESS PEOPLE ARE A HOPELESS PEOPLE!

This fact, long recognized, must be changed. We can only change it by REGISTERING and VOTING.

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

First, encourage every member of your family to become a potential voter by registering NOW. Then, see that they register.

Second, encourage the members of your church, Sunday School, and other organizations to register.

Third, make sure each registered voter in your church VOTES in the primary election, May 30.

The Warren County Voter Registration Project, with offices on the second floor of Brown's Building, East Franklin Street, Warrenton, will gladly help you in your community to encourage registration. We have sample registration forms, posters, and other material that you will find interesting. Stop by this office whenever you are in Warrenton.

We would be glad to conduct registration workshops in your community--in homes or churches. If you will give us a date, a member of this committee will be glad to give information to as many unregistered voters as you invite to these workshops.

All of us want to have a say about how we are treated as citizens. To do this, we must REGISTER and VOTE.

YOURS FOR A BETTER COMMUNITY,

Mrs. Eva M. Clayton
Co-Chairman

WARREN COUNTY

VOTER REGISTRATION PROJECT

P. O. Box 533
Warrenton, North Carolina

April 9, 1964

Dear Citizen:

A VOTELESS PEOPLE ARE A HOPELESS PEOPLE!

This fact, long recognized, must be changed. We can only change it by REGISTERING and VOTING ourselves, as well as getting our neighbors to become voting citizens.

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

First, encourage every member of your family to become a potential voter by REGISTERING NOW. Then, see that they REGISTER.

Second, encourage your neighbors and members of your church, and other organizations to vote and see that they REGISTER.

Third, make sure each registered voter in your township VOTES in the primary election, May 30.

The Warren County Voter Registration Project, with offices on the second floor of Brown's Building, East Franklin Street, Warrenton, will gladly help you to become registered and to encourage others to register. Stop by this office whenever you are in Warrenton. We have stickers, sample registration forms, and other material that you will find interesting.

We would like to conduct home workshops on registration in your community. Would you invite a few people to your home for a meeting on registration? Give us the date and we will have a member of this committee be there.

All of us want to have a say about how we are treated as citizens. To do this, we must REGISTER and VOTE.

YOURS FOR BETTER LIVING,

Mrs. Eva M. Clayton
Co-Chairman

REGISTRATION RULES

I. WHEN AND WHERE TO REGISTER:

A. WHEN: The 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Saturdays before primary or general elections--local, state and national. MAY 2, MAY 9, and MAY 16.

1. OPENING TIME: 9:00 A. M.
2. CLOSING TIME: Sunset
3. You cannot register on the Saturday before the election --May 23.
4. You may also register on weekdays, MAY 4 through MAY 15, at the registrars home or place of business during registration hours.

B. WHERE? A the office of the registrar in each PRECINCT or TOWNSHIP _____

C. If you live within the town limits, you must register twice: Once for county, state and national elections, and again for town elections.

II. TO REGISTER, YOU MUST

A. IDENTIFY YOURSELF UNDER OATH
(a) Give your name
(b) Give your address
(c) Give your race and sex

B. GIVE YOUR AGE (You must be 21 years old by the date of the election.)

C. ESTABLISH YOUR RESIDENCE
(a) You must be a United States Citizen.
(b) You must have resided in North Carolina for one year.
(c) You must have lived in the precinct or township for 30 days.

III. YOU CAN INDICATE YOUR PARTY MEMBERSHIP.

A. It is not necessary to state whether you are a Democrat or a Republican when registering, BUT . . .

B. In order to vote in a PRIMARY ELECTION you must state your party. REMEMBER, IN EASTERN NORTH CAROLINA, THE DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY IS AS IMPORTANT AS THE GENERAL ELECTION. TO VOTE IN THIS IMPORTANT PRIMARY YOU MUST BE REGISTERED AS A DEMOCRAT.

IV. READING AND WRITING:

A. You must be able to read and write any section of the North Carolina Constitution.

B. PERFECTION IN READING AND WRITING IS NOT REQUIRED--ONLY REASONABLE ACCURACY IS NECESSARY.

C. Registrars have a number of REGISTRATION FORMS which have different paragraphs from the North Carolina Constitution. They usually require each registrant to read this paragraph and then, on the space provided on the form, write the paragraph. SAMPLY forms are provided by the VOTER REGISTRATION COMMITTEE for your information.

V. THE JOB OF THE REGISTRAR IS TO HELP YOU. THE CHANCES OF DIFFICULTY ARE VERY SMALL. BUT, IF ANY PROBLEMS DO ARISE, REPORT THEM IMMEDIATELY TO THE

VOTER REGISTRATION COMMITTEES

VOTER'S LEAGUE

NAACP MEMBERS

VI. IF YOU ARE REFUSED REGISTRATION AND FEEL THAT YOU FULLY MEET REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS, YOU MAY APPEAL THE DECISION OF THE REGISTRAR BY GIVING HIM IN WRITING A NOTICE OF APPEAL. APPEAL FORMS ARE AVAILABLE FROM

VOTER REGISTRATION COMMITTEES

VOTER'S LEAGUE

NAACP MEMBERS

VII. If you have registered, but have not voted for 2 or more years, check with your registrar to see if you are still registered. VOTE EVERY ELECTION AND YOU WILL BE PERMANENTLY REGISTERED.

VIII. ONCE YOU HAVE REGISTERED . . .

1. encourage others to register

2. V O T E

WARREN COUNTY
VOTER REGISTRATION CRUSADE

CANVASS YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD

Street or Road _____ Canvasser's Name _____

Address _____

Dates Worked _____

ADDRESS	NAME OF CITIZEN	Registered (Yes) (No)	Will Register in May	Wishes Transportation	Last Time Voted?	Left Material	Recommended follow-up

Call at each house. (Please check each item carefully.)

WARREN COUNTY
VOTER REGISTRATION PROJECT

Phone 257-3238
Warrenton, North Carolina

VEHICLE REPORT

Name of Driver: _____ Date: _____

DATA	TRIP					
	1	2	3	4	5	6
Starting Time						
Ending Time						
No. of citizens transported						
Ending Milage						
Beginning Milage						

_____
Signature of Driver

THIS IS A SAMPLE REGISTRATION FORM. The paragraph for reading may be different on the form which you are given. Two such paragraphs are given below.

Name in Full_____Age_____

Address_____

Township residing in_____How long have you live there_____

Race: ( ) White; ( ) Colored; ( ) Indian ( ) Male; ( ) Female

With which political party are you affiliated: ( ) Democratic

( ) Republican; ( ) Independent

Are you a citizen of The United States: ( ) Yes; ( ) No

READ THE FOLLOWING:

Special Courts in Cities - The General Assembly shall provide for the establishment of special courts, for the trial of misdemeanors, in cities and towns, where the same may be necessary.

In Criminal Prosecution - In all criminal prosecutions every person charged with crime has the right to be informed of the accusation and to confront the accusers and witnesses with other testimony, and to have counsel for defense, and not be compelled to give self incriminating evidence, or to pay cost, jail fees, or necessary witness fees of the defense, unless found guilty.

COPY THE ABOVE PART OF THE CONSTITUTION OF NORTH CAROLINA:

Signed_____

WARREN COUNTY

VOTER REGISTRATION PROJECT

Phone 257-3238
Warrenton, North Carolina

PRECINCT CHECKER'S REPORT

Name of Checker: _____ Date: _____

Precinct: _____

Starting Time: _____ Ending Time: _____

Number of citizens Registering _____

Number of citizens refused registration _____

Number of cases appealed: _____

_____

_____

_____

_____

_____
Signature of Checker

A GUIDE FOR VOLUNTEERS

IN THE

VOTER REGISTRATION DRIVE

I. WHAT DOES A TOWNSHIP, PRECINCT, OR COMMUNITY REGISTRATION WORKER DO?

1. You LOCATE the persons in your precinct who are NOT registered voters.

2. You, then, GET THEM TO REGISTER at the place of registration

II. INFORMATION AND MATERIAL IMPORTANT TO YOUR JOB:

1. Township or precinct Boundaries: You should know the actual boundaries of your township or precinct. Check outline map at the Registration Headquarters.

2. Registration Requirements: This information you should know. Always have this information with you while canvassing your area.

III. WHEN AND WHERE TO REGISTER: In order to properly inform the UNREGISTERED voter, you must know:

1. Where he may register during the registration period--the exact address

2. The days in the week he may register at that location

3. The hours he may register during each day

IV. TOWNSHIP OR PRECINCT LIST OF REGISTERED VOTERS. This information will be supplied to you from the registration headquarters.

V. METHODS OF PERSUADING PEOPLE TO REGISTER:

1. Door to door canvassing

2. Speaking to clubs, churches, and other organizations

3. Holding small workshops in homes

4. Serving on telephone committees

5. Getting volunteers to drive people to registration places, and people to baby-sit for mothers while registering

6. Distribute literature

VI. THEN, BE SURE THAT ALL REGISTERED VOTERS CAST A BALLOT IN THE ELECTION

WARREN COUNTY

VOTER REGISTRATION PROJECT

P. O. Box 533
Warrenton, North Carolina

April 9, 1964

Dear Leader:

A VOTELESS PEOPLE ARE A HOPELESS PEOPLE!

This fact, long recognized, must be changed. We can only change it by registering and voting ourselves, as well as getting our neighbors to become voting citizens.

Organizations of which you are a member are a leading influence in your township and county. You can help in this great effort toward getting every qualified citizen in your township registered and voting.

HOW CAN YOU DO THIS?

First, encourage every member of organizations to become a potential voter by REGISTERING NOW. Then, see that they register.

Second, encourage the members of these organizations to talk to others of their family and neighbors who are qualified to vote and see that they register.

Third, make sure each registered voter in your township votes in the primary election, May 30.

The Warren County Voter Registration Project, with offices on the second floor of Brown's Building, East Franklin Street, Warrenton, will gladly help you in your community to encourage registration. We have posters, stickers, sample registration forms, and other material that you will find helpful. Stop by this office whenever you are in Warrenton.

We would like to conduct workshops on registration in your community. Please invite as many unregistered citizens as you can to a home or church for an instructional meeting on registration. Give us the date and we will have a member of this committee to be there.

All of us want to have a say about how we are treated as citizens. To do this, we must REGISTER and VOTE.

YOURS FOR A BETTER COMMUNITY,

Mrs. Eva M. Clayton
Co-Chairman

WARREN COUNTY

VOTER-REGISTRATION PROJECT

P. O. Box 533
Warrenton, North Carolina

April 15, 1964

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Mr. Wiley Branton
5 Forsyth Street
Room 502
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton:

You will note on the enclosure a Weekend Voter-Registration Crusade planned here the weekend of April 25 and 26. This Crusade will end with a county-wide meeting on voter-registration with representatives from Vance, Franklin, and Warren Counties. This meeting will be largely attended.

We would like to ask you to speak to this gathering on Sunday, April 26 at 2:00 P. M., if at all possible. If this is not convenient for you, would you ask Mr. Blackwell if he could speak for us?

We would like to have presented the many implications of political action in typically rural, southern areas and particularly the vital need for citizens in the 2nd Congressional District of North Carolina to participate actively and fully in local political action.

I will call you later this week to ascertain if you will be able to meet here with us on this occasion.

Very truly yours,

Eva M. Clayton

Mrs. Eva M. Clayton
Co-Chairman

EMC:c

Enclosure

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$ 1,000.00

INTEROFFICE REQUEST FOR PAYMENT FORM

Please pay the sum of: ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS ($ 1,000.00)

TO: ~~WARRENTONXEENTY~~ WARREN COUNTY VOTER REGISTRATION PROJECT
(Name)

c/o Mrs. Eva Clayton
(Address)

Warrenton, N.C.
(City and state)

Reason for payment: Initial granton new program in Warren County, N.C.

If departmental or special budget, specify: VEP 4-15

Payment is general operations, VEP project, expense.

Date April 25, 1964 19____

Requested by: _____

Approved: Aubrey C. Brunton
VEP Director

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COUNTY-WIDE

VOTER REGISTRATION

CRUSADE

SATURDAY AND SUNDAY
April 25 and 26

COMMUNITY WORKSHOPS AT CHURCHES

Voter Registration Information
WHERE?
WHEN?
HOW?
WHAT YOU CAN DO TO HELP OTHERS
REGRESHMENTS

The REGISTRATION COMMITTEE of the WARREN COUNTY VOTER-REGISTRATION PROJECT would like to conduct REGISTRATION WORKSHOPS in every church in the county Saturday afternoon, April 25. MAY WE VISIT YOUR CHURCH ON THIS DATE AND DISCUSS VOTER-REGISTRATION? The Registration Committee will provide all the materials and refreshments.

SUNDAY, APRIL 26

COUNTY-WIDE MEETING
VOTER-REGISTRATION

SNOW HILL BAPTIST CHURCH

2:00 P. M.

In Cooperation With

THE COUNTY-WIDE SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

Sponsored by

THE REGISTRATION COMMITTEE
of the
WARREN COUNTY VOTER-REGISTRATION PROJECT

Mr. Spencer Skipper and Mrs. Eva Clayton, Co-Chairmen

P. O. Box 533
Warrenton, North Carolina

PLEASE SIGN AND RETURN THIS COPY TO VEP AT ONCE.

Receipt acknowledged this 27 day of April, 1964.

Eva M. Clayton

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April 25, 1964

Mrs. Eva M. Clayton, Chairman
Warren County Voter Registration Project
P. O. Box 612
Warrenton, North Carolina

Re: VEP 4-15

Dear Mrs. Clayton:

I am pleased to inform you that the Voter Education Project has approved a grant in the amount of $ 1,000.00 in support of a 30 day registration program by your organization in Warren County, North Carolina during the period May 1 through May 31, 1964.

Our check for $ 1,000.00 representing payment in full of this grant is enclosed and should be deposited in your special VEP bank account. We have mailed to you under separate cover 250 triplicate voucher checks which you should always use in numerical order in accordance with instructions being sent to you today separately. No portion of these funds may be used to pay for expenses or services already incurred unless you first obtain permission in writing from VEP.

We prefer that you not release any publicity concerning this grant or the amount other than to those persons working with your program. You should never deny the fact that you have received a grant from VEP if asked but all inquiries by reporters or outsiders concerning the amount of the grant should be referred to our office.

The Voter Education Project is a non-partisan program in every sense of the word and no part of the funds from VEP may be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor in behalf of nor against any political candidate. This restriction applies whether the candidate be white or Negro.

You will be required to furnish VEP with complete and full information regarding your voter registration program and it is understood that VEP may cancel this program at any time and require that you pay over to VEP any unexpended funds which you may have on hand. Mrs. Barbara Whitaker, our Research Assistant, will write you concerning progress reporting.

We welcome you and your co-workers to the VEP program and look forward to a pleasant and profitable relationship which will result in increased registration. Any continuation of this support beyond May 31 will be conditioned upon your cooperation and progress to a great extent.

We consider this program as being a purely local one which will be run without the assistance of outside help. We know that NAACP, CORE, SNCC and SCLC have been active to some extent in North Carolina. These agencies have been working with VEP and there is no objection to your accepting help from any of the above organizations. If any persons who are not full time residents of your county and who represent organizations other than the above (or who claim not to be representing any particular organization) are to work with your registration program then you should inform VEP as to the name of the person, the organization he represents, and the kind of help the individual is to give. This is a research project and we must study the participation of all organizations in programs we support.

A copy of this letter is enclosed and we request that you indicate your understanding of the conditions and restrictions of this grant by signing the copy and returning it to us at once.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

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Don't be a

VOMBIE

A Vombie is a person who, though living, is dead as far as his country is concerned, because he isn't registered and can't vote.

(The way to bring a vombie back to legal life is to get him registered, Tell him WHEN, WHERE and HOW. Then haunt him until he does).

Registering and Voting Dates

REGISTER!

*SATURDAYS, May 2, 9 & 16, 1964, at Voting Places from 9:00 A.M. to sunset.

WEEKDAYS, MAY 4TH THRU 15TH AT THE REGISTRAR'S HOME OR PLACE OF BUSINESS.

*SATURDAYS, October 10, 17 & 24, 1964

WEEKDAYS, OCT. 12TH THRU 23RD AT THE REGISTRAR'S HOME OR PLACE OF BUSINESS FROM 9:00 A.M. TO 5:00 P.M.

VOTE!

Primary Election May 30th, 1964
General Election November 3rd. 1964

N.A.A.C.P. REGISTER AND VOTE CAMPAIGN

Whether you're voting
"for" or "agin'" . . .
Registration is
How you begin
!!

WARNING!

you have to
register if you
want to vote

Smart fellow he
in most respects
But he can't write
that voter's X —
HE'S NOT REGISTERED

April 30, 1964

Mrs. Eva M. Clayton, Chairman
Warren County Voter Registration
Project
P. O. Box 612
Warrenton, North Carolina

RE: VEP 4-15

Dear Mrs. Clayton:

We are sending you, under separate cover, the forms to be used in statistical reporting to this office. We will expect reports to be completed on Saturday of each week, and to reach our office no later than Tuesday of the following week.

The forms are self-explanatory, but we will welcome any questions or comments. We are here to assist you, so please feel free to communicate with us at any time.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Barbara I. Whitaker
Research Assistant

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WARREN COUNTY
VOTER REGISTRATION PROJECT

P. O. Box 533
Warrenton, North Carolina
Telephone 257-3238

May 2, 1964

Mr. Wiley A. Branton, Director
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton:

We were indeed pleased to receive the one thousand dollar ($1,000) grant in support of a 30 day registration program here in Warren County. Tremendous headway will be made during this period in voter registration. We appreciate the support and cooperation of the Voter Education Project and we will, in turn, follow the instructions for expenditures and reporting.

We would like to seek permission, however, to pay one outstanding bill which has been made prior to the period of the grant. In setting up our organization and phases of its activities, many telephone calls were required. Portions of the county are on different exchanges, thus, necessitating long distance charges. Other long distance calls have been made in connection with our program. The exact amounts of each call can be determined later this month when billed to the private phones from which they were made. We would like to secure permission to pay for this expense which occurred prior to May 1.

Thank you again for the grant in support of our program.

Sincerely,

Eva M. Clayton
Mrs. Eva M. Clayton
Co-Chairman

EMC:c

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N.G.B.

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May 6, 1964

Mrs. Eva M. Clayton, Co-Chairman
Warren County Voter Registration Project
Post Office Box 533
Warrenton, North Carolina

Dear Mrs. Clayton:

In reply to your letter of May 2, you have our permission to pay for long-distance telephone calls in connection with your registration program which occurred prior to May 1, 1964. We assumed that this would be a reasonable amount and if these bills are in excess of $100, then you should communicate further with us before paying the bills.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

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WARREN COUNTY
VOTER REGISTRATION PROJECT

P. O. Box 533
Warrenton, North Carolina
Telephone 257-3238

May 4, 1964

Mr. Wiley G. Coleman, Chairman
Warren County Board of Election
Warrenton, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Coleman:

We are particularly disturbed at the processes of voter registration observed at some of the precinct registration offices in Warren County this past Saturday, May 2. It was noted that, at a number of precincts, the time required for registration was so excessive that, of those presenting themselves for registration, few were given an opportunity to register.

We wish to point out that many of the citizens desiring to participate in the democratic processes of our County, State, and Nation will be denied due process of law and suffer disfranchisement because of the situation presently employed by registrars of some of Warren County's precincts.

The registrars of precincts are to assist citizens in the process of registration rather than to make the process more difficult or discourage citizens attempting to register.

In Nutbush Precinct, at least, 85 persons were observed who presented themselves to the office of the registrar, whereas only 1/4 this number were seen by the registrar. In the East and West Warrenton precincts, a similar situation existed. In West Warrenton, separate lines for white and Negro citizens were observed with the white line moving at a much faster pace.

We wish to emphasize that the Voter Registration Project has brought to the attention of the Chairman of the County's Board of Election the appalling situation which has previously existed in Nutbush Precinct. We would like to have this situation corrected immediately and locally, without having the matter brought to the attention of State and Federal authorities.

We have observed also the failure of the Board of Election in Warren County in adequately informing the public of the boundaries of all precincts within the county. This has been done in other counties throughout the state.

May we ask the Warren County Board of Election to take immediate steps in speeding up the registration process so that all citizens desiring to participate in the democratic processes of our county may do so without delay.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Eva M. Clayton
Co-Chairman

EMC:c

CC: Mr. William Joslin, Chairman
North Carolina Board of Election

Mr. R. C. Maxwell, Executive Secretary
North Carolina Board of Election

Mr. Robert F. Kennedy
U. S. Attorney General

The Honorable Terry Sanford, Governor
State of North Carolina

Mr. L. H. Fountain, Congressman
2nd Congressional District of North Carolina

Mr. W. S. Coltrane, Chairman
North Carolina Good Neighbor Committee

Mr. McNeil Smith, Chairman
North Carolina Advisory Committee
U. S. Commission on Civil Rights

Mr. Conrad Pearson, Member
North Carolina Advisory Committee
U. S. Commission on Civil Rights

Mr. Wiley Branton, Project Director
Voter Education Project

Warren County Voter Registration Project
Mrs. Eva M. Clayton, Co-chairman and Director
P. O. Box 533
Warrenton, North Carolina

Telephone 257-3238

The Warren County Voter Registration Project, Monday, filed a letter of protest to Wiley Coleman, chairman of the Warren County Board of Election in disaproval of the tactics used by some of the registrars in Warren County after observing the slow registration process of Negro registrants at precincts, Saturday, May 2. As a result of the Saturday registration, only two hundred and twenty Negroes were registered in Warren County with as many more who were unable to see the registrars because of the deliberate slowness of the registrars in registering.

Copies of the protest letter were sent to the Governor, State Board of Election, The N. C. Advisory Committee to the U. S. Commission on Civil Rights, and U. S. Attorney General.

Investigations by the State Board of Election and the U. S. Justice Department are being asked by

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May 5, 1964

MEMORANDUM

To: Wiley A. Branton

From: Weldon Rougeau

Re: WARRENTON, NORTH CAROLINA FIELD TRIP

On Sunday, May 2, 1964, I spoke with Attorney and Mrs. T. T. Clayton of Warrenton, North Carolina, at their home concerning their newly initiated voter registration project in Warren County.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton indicated that there are approximately 1,400 Negroes registered in Warren County out of a potential of 5,000 or 6,000. White registration is approximately 2,700 out of a potential 3,500.

Negroes in Warren County constitute about 67% of the total population and could very easily have a decisive edge over reactionary whites at the ballot box if the potential Negro vote were fully exercised. With this in mind, they have set a goal of an additional 2,500 by May 16th when the books will close for the May 30 primary.

On the day before (part of the Voter Crusade weekend), I arrived in Warrenton, (May 2), approximately 250 Negroes registered to vote in the county. This total could have been much higher if "..... it had not been for the delaying tactics of the registrars and the stringency maintained in the administration of the literacy test," according to Mrs. Clayton, the director of the project in Warren County.

Registration is held only on Saturdays when the registrars gather at their respective polling places in the county and administer literacy tests on the North Carolina constitution as slowly as possible. This delaying tactic will definitely prove to have a hazardous effect on registration unless details of it can be brought to the attention of the Justice Department, the State Board of Elections, and the news media. I suggested that Mrs. Clayton file complaints with the above mentioned and also notify VEP about any illegal activities of the registrars, police departments, etc. She agreed to do so.

Preparation for Drive:

Mrs. Clayton informed me of their preparations for the drive, and indicated they had started canvassing to determine areas of concentration. Around Arpil 2, 1964, approximately 50 students assisted in this activity and have also been helping mobilize persons to the

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registration places.

Workshops were held in homes and churches to instruct people how to fill the registration form and practice reading and writing parts of the North Carolina state constitution. This appeared to be planned and conducted very well with many adults assisting in this endeavor.

Mrs. Clayton says that "of eighteen churches asking for workshops, fifteen materialized and were very successful, both in attendance and participation. Ministers at many of the churches cooperated with the workshops and some even helped with the instruction.

A workshop is usually preceded "by an extensive canvassing period a few hours before the workshop is scheduled to begin to arouse people and ask them to come and learn about the registration process with other members of the community."

According to Atty. Clayton, who is a candidate for the state House of Representatives, the business community of Warrenton has been working with the registration drive very enthusiastically. This is very heartening since many small town Negro businessmen eschew identification with registration drives and other forms of social action projects for fear of reprisals against them.

Publicity:

Publicity for the Warren County drive has come from radio stations, newspapers, sound trucks, leaflets, posters, placards, and bumper stickers. Apparently, every form of publicity at their disposal has been utilized to help increase the number of persons attempting to register to vote and it is my opinion that each aspect of this particular activity was well planned.

Conclusion:

Although I was unable to observe the machine of this drive in operation, I feel reasonably certain it is being conducted well and barring any undue frustration on the part of the people, it should prove to be a productive drive which could in turn have considerable political leverage for Negroes in the county.

However, I feel there should be vigorous action on the part ov VEP to keep police brutality, intimidation, harassment, and delaying tactics from marring the whole drive.

The Justice Department, the governor of North Carolina, the State Board of Elections, and other agencies of the government should be

kept informed and persuaded to take vigorous action against the unlawful deeds of the registrars of Warren County. This is an election year, and many people can be embarrassed if the public is made aware of the Mississippi-like tactics of North Carolina.

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May 6, 1964

Mrs. Eva M. Clayton, Co-Chairman
Warren County Voter Registration Project
Post Office Box 533
Warrenton, North Carolina

Dear Mrs. Clayton:

In reply to your letter of May 2, you have our permission to pay for long-distance telephone calls in connection with your registration program which occurred prior to May 1, 1964. We assumed that this would be a reasonable amount and if these bills are in excess of $100, then you should communicate further with us before paying the bills.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

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May 7, 1964

Mrs. Eva Clayton
Warren County Voter Registration Project
P.O. Box 612
Warrenton, North Carolina

Dear Mrs. Clayton:

We have received the invoice for your check imprinting and the cost is as follows:

250 Voucher checks	19.50 $29.50
Sales Tax	.59
Total	~~$20.00~~ 20.09

Will you kindly reimburse us for the cost of these checks. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

Jean Levine
Fiscal Assistant

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THE TIP-OFF

By EMORY O. JACKSON

Let's put the three events together. One was the appearance at the Hungry Club of the 18th Street Branch YMCA by the Rev. Abraham Lincoln Woods, Jr., director of the "Miles College Voter Registration Project." The second was the last of the two-day "Seventh Annual Induction Ceremony to the Kennedy-Norris Future Teachers of America" held in the auditorium of Parker High School. The April 30 meeting of the Jefferson County Progressive Democratic Council is the third.

The Rev. Woods was accompanied by some of the Miles College students who have worked on the ballot expansion project with him. It is the kind of live teaching which has so often been absent from some of our schools. It was dealing with a subject in which students could learn while helping. The Negro college has been slow, it seems to me, in recognizing the need for "practice leading." It has gone in for "practice teaching."

Something is being learned by the Rev. Woods, who is also pastor of First Metropolitan Baptist Church, which could not be learned from the textbooks on social science and citizenship. For none tells the truth about the Alabama voter-registration system, its administration and complications. That has to be learned from a home-made textbook. There is low motivation for voter-registration among the Negro group. Often it's hard to see what he is getting out of it.

The Alabama electoral process is designed in a way that voter-registration can be made both difficult and unfair. In Jefferson County the precincts and districts are drawn in an uneven manner. Voting centers are not fairly located, it seems to me. It is obvious that some of the voting districts have been weighted by race. A study of them reveals disadvantages.

At Parker, Mrs. Lucinda Brown Robey, principal of Dudley School, made the featured speech at which Dr. Carol W. Hayes, director of Negro schools in the Birmingham Public School System was presented a plaque because of his identication with and emphasis of "to read, to think, and to excel."

Mr. Hayes, who seemed at first to desire to say "thank, you" made some observations. He told the students it would have pleased him to see them "take notes and go back to the class and discuss what you have heard." Note-taking is a vital part of the learning process. Negro youth will be unable to match minds unless they can match notes.

The school director also returned to his familiar theme of "sense of values." An entertainer, like Ella Fitzgerald, or ballplayer like Willie Mays, or boxer like Sonny Liston, makes more money than a top-flight teacher. He used only Liston's name.

"The teacher serves them all", Mr. Hayes thundered. "Yet the teacher gets the little end of everything." He drew on the Bible for the strength to say: "The servant is the teacher."

I had been reading "A Time To Speak" by Charles Morgan, Jr., which is a disturbing book because its accounts seem to be so real, so now. I began to ask, what have the schools done for Birmingham? Yet Mrs. Robey referred to the pet phrases of Dr. Hayes, among them, "it is written." Morgan's book troubles me because it is about Birmingham, and some of his accounts I know to be true.

Teaching is broader than the teacher of race relations with the American readers as his class. Editors are public teachers. Morgan's book tells about some of them, if I am able to read him correctly, he tells how some of us have failed to teach freedom and truth.

Sadly Morgan wrote: "I had come to believe that education was the key to solving the South's problem, I was to learn in the spring of 1959 that bigotry and intolerance can lurk behind a sheepskin as well as a hood."

The good teacher must teach something good. No salary can ever be big enough to pay the good teacher, it seems to me. There must be more God than gold in the good teacher. I am not speaking merely of the profession of teaching, but teaching outside the profession.

In the communities there is a kind of political action teaching in which the pay is in the help you give and the service you rendered. This brings The Tip Off to the meeting of the Jefferson County Progressive Democratic Council. Most of the community-service leaders knew the number of voters in their town, precinct or district.

For one has worked in the campaigns for voter-registration and political action it was thrilling to see the new teachers of freedom at work. The voter-registration leaders and those who work in political action are the new breed civic teachers. They are close to the people and they know the issues. It's hard to hoodwink them with phony labels of "progressive", "moderate" and "liberal". The test is in the delivery.

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VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: Warren County Voter Registration Project

Period covered by this report: From May 3, 1964 **to** May 9, 1964

Person reporting Eva M. Clayton

Street Address	City	County	State
	Warrenton	Warren	N. C.

Date submitted: May 11, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: County and State: Warren County, 2nd Congressional District of North Carolina

Ward, Beat, etc. **Precinct, election district, etc.**

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 343

Number instructed at home 40

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Number instructed other places 40 **a. Specify places** Barber shops, beauty parlors, parking lots of super markets

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week approx. 250

Number successfully registered by this project this week 175 approx.

Number denied registration in this project this week 75

a. Reason for denial Literacy disqualification, failure to identify precinct, too slow

Number contacted by other means 300

a. Specify means mail

Number refusing to participate 10

a. Reason for refusing to participate ignorance, fear

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 425

Number of workers in the campaign 65

Remarks A time limit was place on each registrant of 10 minutes. As a result many failed to complete registration process in this time. One worker serving as a checker at a precinct registration office was arrested. Difficulties were still encountered at several precincts. Federal authorities made investigations during the week.

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VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

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Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 130

Number instructed at home 78

Number instructed at clinics 67 (Three workshops held at homes & churches

Number instructed other places 15 **a. Specify places** Community Center (Warrenton, N. C.)

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week Approximately 402

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Number denied registration in this project this week Approx. 100

a. Reason for denial Literacy disqualification, failure to identify precinct, Too slow

Number contacted by other means mass media

a. Specify means radio

Number refusing to participate approx. 25

a. Reason for refusing to participate Ignorance

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Number of workers in the campaign 60

Remarks As a result of the difficulties encountered at registration offices by registrants, a letter of protest was sent to the Warren County Board of Election regarding the practices of the registrars. Registration was extremely slow at most precincts. State and Federal authorities are currently investigating procedures of local registration.

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Warren County Voter Registration Project
Mrs. Eva M. Clayton, Co-chairman and Director
P. O. Box 533
Warrenton, North Carolina

Telephone 257-3238

JS: Note

The Warren County Voter Registration Project, Monday, filed a letter of protest to Wiley Coleman, chairman of the Warren County Board of Election in disaproval of the tactics used by some of the registrars in Warren County after observing the slow registration process of Negro registrants at precincts, Saturday, May 2. As a result of the Saturday registration, only two hundred and twenty Negroes were registered in Warren County with as many more who were unable to see the registrars because of the deliberate slowness of the registrars in registering.

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AND VOTE ON MAY 30th.

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TO HAVE AN ACTIVE PART IN YOUR

LOCAL, STATE AND NATIONAL GOVERNMENT:

YOU MUST BE A REGISTERED VOTER

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Paid By Warren County Voter Registration Project

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Warrenton Attorney Appeals Two Cases

The Rev. Alex Brown, charged with refusing to aid an officer, was fined $50.00 and costs. He gave notice of appeal and appearance bond was set at $25.00.

D. Y. Cooper, charged with failure to assist an officer, was found not guilty.

Ethel Davis, charged with blocking the entrance to Boyce Drug Company, was fined $5.00 and costs. She noted an appeal and appearance bond was set at $25.00. She also appealed to Superior Court when she was found guilty on a charge of delaying and obstructing an officer and ordered to pay a $50.00 fine and court costs.

T. T. Clayton, Warrenton Negro attorney, and candidate for the State House of Representatives in the Democratic Primary of May 30, was given suspended sentences in Warren County Recorder's Court Friday when he was found guilty on two counts of refusing to aid an officer.

The charges grew out of a recent racial demonstration here when Clayton refused to aid an officer after being requested to do so. Also tried for offenses growing out of the same demonstration were the Rev. Alex Brown and D. Y. Cooper.

Clayton was given a 30 days road sentence, on each of the two counts, which were suspended for two years upon condition that he remain of good behavior for two years, violate no criminal laws of the state for two years, pay a $50 fine and court costs. Clyaton gave notice of appeal. Appearance bond was set in one case at $50.00 and the other at $100.00.

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Hansel Griggs, charged with assault, was found not guilty.

James R. Hicks pled guilty to a charge of drunk driving and was ordered to pay a $100 fine and court costs.

William Hargrove was ordered to pay a $100 fine and court costs when he was found guilty of drunk driving.

Butler Davis, charged with assault, was found not guilty.

The State took a nol pros with leave in the case of Daniel William Calender, Jr., charged with speeding.

In other speeding cases, defendants and court verdicts were as follows:

David Lee Jones, $15.00 and costs; Niles Edward Serls, Jr., $5.00 and costs; Elijah Ray Taylor, $10.00 and costs. Alney Wright, costs; Levi Old, Jr., $10.00 and costs; Jacob Connell Shearin, Jr., costs; Alfred Coleman, costs; Marshall Fenimore Cooper, $10.00 and costs; Edward Boone, costs.

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TWO SATURDAYS REMAIN FOR REGISTRATION--

MAY 9 and MAY 16

WERE YOU UNABLE TO REGISTER BECAUSE OF THE CROWDED PRECINCT REGISTRATION OFFICE?

WERE YOU REFUSED REGISTRATION WITHOUT MAKING AN APPEAL?

Then, GO AGAIN THIS WEEK TO YOUR PRECINCT REGISTRATION OFFICE!

REMEMBER, TO REGISTER IS TO BE AN AMERICAN!

Warren County Voter Registration Project

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VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

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Period covered by this report: From May 10 **to** May 16, 1964

Person reporting Eva M. Clayton, Co-Chairman

P. O. Box 533 — Warrenton — Warren — North Carolina
Street Address — **City** — **County** — **State**

Date submitted: May 16, 1964

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Ward, Beat, etc. — **Precinct, election district, etc.**

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 425

Number instructed at home 50 (3 workshops)

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Number instructed other places 125 **a. Specify places** Streets, stores, parking lots, etc.

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week XXX 450

Number successfully registered by this project this week 377

Number denied registration in this project this week 48

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Number contacted by other means Mail--700: Mass Media--radio & Newspaper

a. Specify means Mail, radio, & Newspaper

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Number of persons successfully registered since the start 802 approx.

Number of workers in the campaign 80 (See attached statement)

Remarks The Warren County Board of Election was warned by Federal Judge Larkins about registration tactics used. (See News Clipping attached.) Approximately 20 persons were registered as a result of appeals. This number is included in this weeks total--377. Other appeals are pending. Registration procedures were improved and registrars in several precincts did register some citizens during the week wherein they had previously refused to do so.

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NOTE !

29 Students from Duke University, N. C. College and A & T College, assisted in our Saturday, May 16, registration program. These students assisted at Registration Precinct and canvassing neighborhoods. This group as sponsored by the United College Christian Ministry; Henry J. Elkin, Director, North Carolina College, Durham, N. C. assisted by Richard Ramsey; College Secretary, American Friends Service Committee, High Point, N. C.

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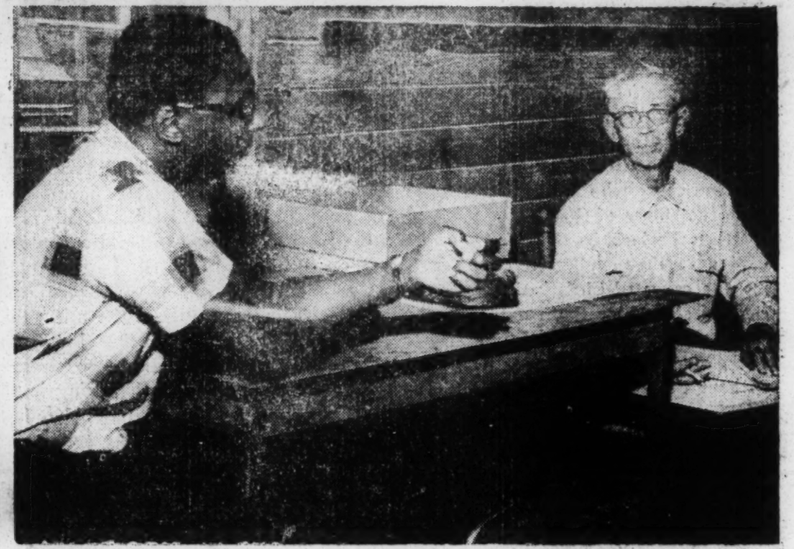
MISSISSIPPI TACTICS USED IN WARREN COUNTY TO DISCOURAGE NEGRO REGISTRATION

Outside View of Registration quarters of Smith Creek precinct

Prospective Negro Registrants stand in line from 9:00 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. in an attempt to register.



Attorney T. Clayton talks with registrar Martin Hayes of Smith Creek precinct in Warren County.

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May 21, 1964

Mrs. Eva Clayton
P.O. Box 612
Warrenton, North Carolina

Dear Mrs. Clayton:

In your financial reporting which we received in this office last week, we noticed a check written to cover the cost of printing of bumper stickers. We would like to request one of these bumper stickers for two reasons. One, we should have such an item to support the expenditure to satisfy the terms of our tax exempt status with the Treasury Department, and second, this sort of data is valuable for our research files. Would you be kind enough to send us one with your next reporting.

Incidentally, may I compliment you upon the methodical and comprehensive manner in which you handle your financial reporting. I can't tell you how much easier this kind of reporting makes my job. Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

Jean Levine
Fiscal Assistant

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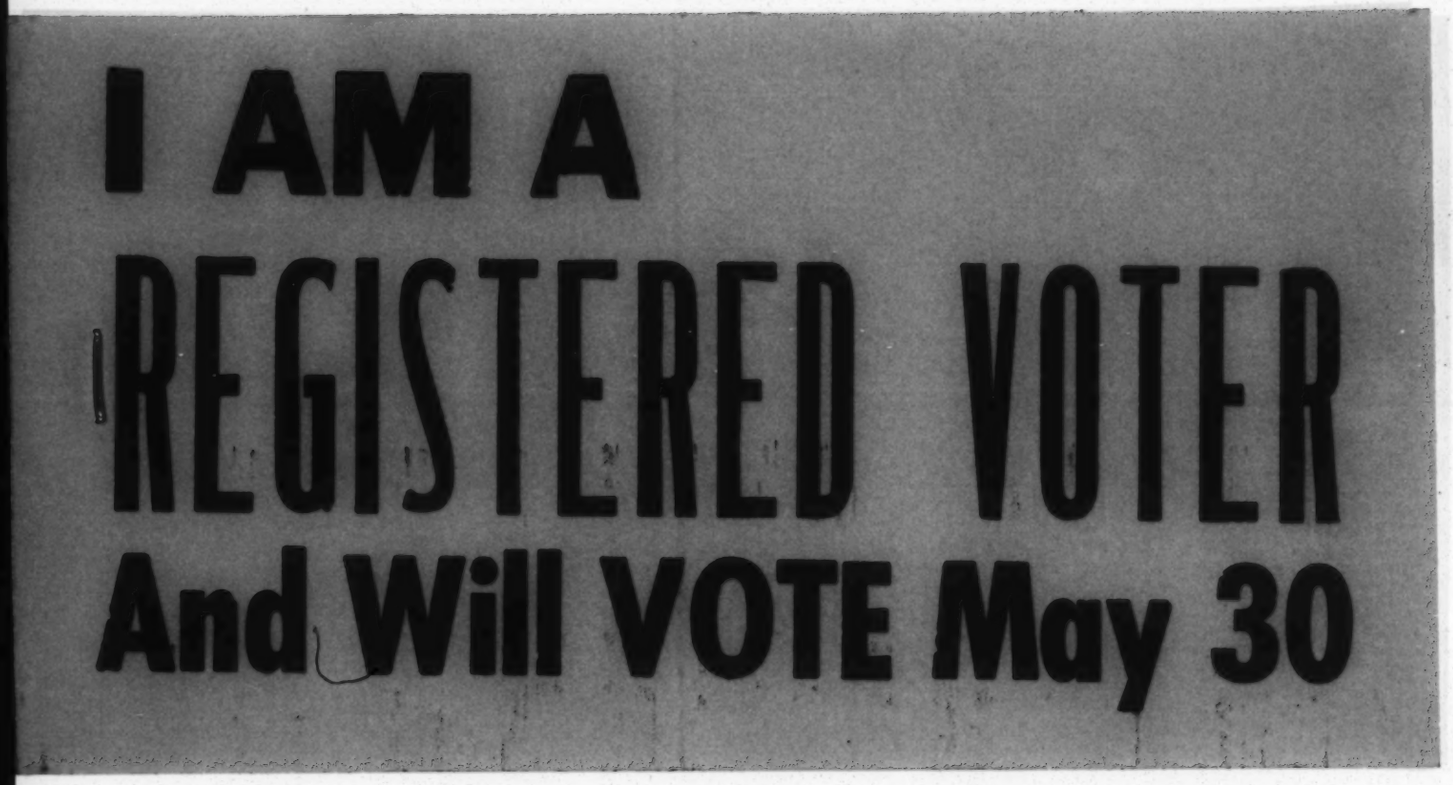
The attached is a copy of the Bumper Stickers as per check No.# 0022 dated 5/2/64.



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Warrenton, N C

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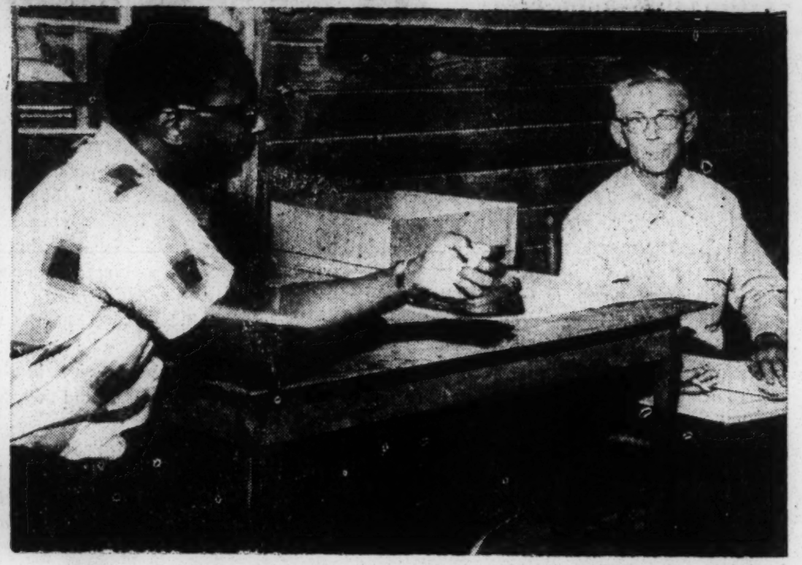
MISSISSIPPI TACTICS USED IN WARREN COUNTY TO DISCOURAGE NEGRO REGISTRATION

Outside View of Registration quarters of Smith Creek precinct

Prospective Negro Registrants stand in line from 9:00 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. in an attempt to register.



Attorney T. Clayton talks with registrar Martin Hayes of Smith Creek precinct in Warren County.

The Sunrise Mutual Burial Association urges each of its members to register this Saturday, May 16, at your Precinct Registration Office and vote May 30.

"A voteless people are a hopeless people!" Your vote does count. So, be a true American. REGISTER! VOTE!

YOUR VOTE COUNTS!

HAVE YOU REGISTERED TO VOTE?

SATURDAY, MAY 16, IS THE LAST DAY

TO VOTE IS TO BE AN AMERICAN! BEFORE YOU CAN VOTE, YOU MUST FIRST REGISTER. PLEASE, GO TO YOUR PRECINCT REGISTRATION OFFICE AND REGISTER BEFORE SUNDOWN SATURDAY.

IF YOU WERE REFUSED REGISTRATION WITHOUT MAKING AN APPEAL, GO AGAIN THIS WEEK TO YOUR PRECINCT REGISTRATION OFFICE!

WARREN COUNTY VOTER REGISTRATION PROJECT

Delaying Tactics

Warren Gets Protest On Registration Process

WARRENTON, N. C.— The Warren County Voter Registration Project, Monday last week, filed a letter of protest to Wiley Coleman, chairman of the Warren County Board of Election in disapproval of the tactics used by some of the registrars in Warren county after observing the slow registration process of Negro registrants at precincts, Saturday, May 2.

As a result of the Saturday registration, only 220 Negroes were registered in Warren county with as many more who were unable to see the registrars because of the deliberate slowness of the registrars in registering.

COPIES OF the protest letter were sent to the Governor, State Board of Election, the N. C. Advisory Committee to the U. S. Commission on Civil Rights, and U. S. Attorney General.

Investigations by the State Board of Election and the U. S. Justice Department are being asked by the Voter Registration Project of which Mrs. Eva M. Clayton is co-chairman and director.

A PETITION is also being circulated in Nutbush Precinct seeking the removal of the registrar, R. C. Mitchell. At this precinct, at least, 85 Negroes appeared for registration. Only 21 of this number were seen by the registrar. Ten of these were refused registration. In the West Warrenton Precinct, at least 45 Negro registrants sought to register with about half being able to see the registrar.

Dissatisfaction was also expressed over the failure of the Warren County Board of Election in making available to the public the boundaries of all precincts and providing adequate facilities for registration in all precincts.

SOME NEGRO registrants were required to interpret sections of the North Carolina Constitution in addition to reading and writing. Other registrants failed to meet requirements for registering by not identifying their precinct exactly, "missing a word," or were given no reason at all.

Negroes attempting to register on May 4, 5, and 6, were also refused by a number of the registrars who stated they were doing so upon orders from the chairman of the local Board of Election, even though the law permits registration during the period May 2-May 16, Sundays excepted.

WARREN COUNTY

VOTER REGISTRATION PROJECT

Post Office Box 533
Warrenton, North Carolina
Telephone 257-3238

May 26, 1964

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Yours for better government,

VOTER REGISTRATION COMMITTEE

(Mrs.) Eva M. Clayton
Co-Chairman

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May 27, 1964

Mrs. Eva M. Clayton
Co-Chairman
Warren County Voter Registration
Project
P. O. Box 612
Warrenton, North Carolina

RE: VEP 4-15

Dear Mrs. Clayton:

Thank you for the progress report received in this office today. We would like to commend you on the promptness with which you have been complying with our reporting requirements.

It is essential that we receive from you in your reports, the exact number of persons registered during the recently conducted campaign. We would also like to know on what basis the appeals mentioned in your most recent report were made, and also how you actually conducted your "Get Out The Vote" campaign.

We will look forward to hearing from you.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Barbara I. Whitaker
Research Assistant

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MAY 27 1964

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: Warren County Voter Registration Project

Period covered by this report: From May 10 to May 23, 1964

Person reporting Eva M. Clayton, Co-Chairman

P. O. Box 533 | Warrenton | Warren | North Carolina
Street Address | City | County | State

Date submitted: May 25, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Primary Election--County and State, 2nd Congressional Distric t, Warren County, North Carolina

Ward, Beat, etc. | Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places 300 a. Specify places

Outdoor meeting on how to use the ballot held at ball park

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week Approximately 25 persons from appeals during registration period

Number successfully registered by this project this week ?

Number denied registration in this project this week ?

a. Reason for denial ?

Number contacted by other means Radio on voting

a. Specify means Radio

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 802 approx.

Number of workers in the campaign 25

Remarks The weeks activities involved collecting and organizing data from the three Saturdays of registration. Record of appeals were made and ~~recorded~~ filed. Persons making appeals were instructed as to what to expect. Emphasis was place on how to get out the vote--May 30. Mailing list of newly registered citizens was compiled.

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Durham Morning Herald

6-1-64

Runoff Looming In Warren County For House Seat

WARRENTON—Warren County voters may be voting in a county runoff when they go back to the polls June 27 for the Democratic gubernatorial runoff.

In the only county contest in Saturday's primary, incumbent Frank Banzet led in the three-way race for nomination to the House of Representatives. However, his margin did not give him a majority over his closest contender William R. Drake.

While there is no official announcement of a runoff vote it was generally agreed in Warren County Sunday that there would be a second primary for the House seat. The third candidate, T. T. Clayton, a Negro, was eliminated in Saturday's voting.

The remainder of the Democratic ticket in Saturday's primary carried the names of unopposed incumbents to county offices. They were county commissioners Amos Capps, Robert Thorne, John Wilson, Alfred Ellington and Richard Davis; school board members Eugene Davis, Sam Massey, Boyd Mayfield, Robert Gupton and Ed Harvey; Register of Deeds Sam Allen, and Recorder's Court Clerk Joe N. Ellis.

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June 3, 1964

Mrs. Eva M. Clayton
Warren County Voter Registration Project
Post Office Box 612
Warrenton, North Carolina

RE: VEP 4-15

Dear Mrs. Clayton:

Congratulations on the very fine job you and your organization were able to accomplish in getting new registrants added to the roll in Warren County.

I would appreciate it if you would send us any special information which you might have concerning participation by these new registrants in your last election, and information concerning participation by Negro voters generally. It is important that we know what voter education or registration activities you plan, if any, for the summer months, and will you please inform us as to the period when your books will be opened for registration again before the November Election. You might also use the experiences gained in the program just completed to plan a more intensified program when the books re-open and submit to us a budget for such a program at the earliest possible date.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

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VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: Warren County Voter Registration Project

Period covered by this report: From May 24 to May 30

Person reporting Eva M. Clayton

P. O. Box 533 | Warrenton | Warren | N. C.
Street Address | City | County | State

Date submitted: June 4, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: 2nd Congressional District of North Carolina--Warren County

Ward, Beat, etc. | Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 400

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics 800 Mass Meetings

Number instructed other places _____ a. Specify places _____

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 25

Number successfully registered by this project this week 15

Number denied registration in this project this week 10

a. Reason for denial Literacy

Number contacted by other means 680

a. Specify means Mail (sample attached)

Number refusing to participate 55 (known)

a. Reason for refusing to participate Not interested, fearful of KKK, some said to vote was wrong

Number of persons successfully registered since the start

Approximately 817 (Accurate figures will be sent when all information is received)

Number of workers in the campaign 60

Remarks Letters were sent to 680 newly registered voters congratulating them on being registered and encouraging them to vote May 30th. Two mass meetings were held with more than 800 citizens attending to explain the voting process. May 30: Drives were used to take citizens to the polls, checkers were at each precinct to check the number voting and watch the counting of ballots, youth distributed material reminding citizens to vote, mothers prepared lunch for volunteers. Approximately 1,500 Negroes voted May 30 which represents nearly 69% of approximately 2200 potential voters. Some of which are all names of residents who have moved away or deceased. One Negro candidate was elected township constable. (More complete details will be included in our final report.)

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VOTER REGISTRATION COMMITTEE

Eva M. Clayton

(Mrs.) Eva M. Clayton
Co-Chairman

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Warren Record

Over 5,000 Votes Cast In Warren On Saturday

Approximately 5100 votes were cast in Warren County Democratic Primary Saturday with a total of 5,072 being cast for the six candidates for the nomination for Governor.

This vote, the largest ever cast in Warren County, compared with a vote of approximately 3300 in the Democratic Primary of 1960 cast for the gubernatorial candidates.

High man in the Governor's race was I. Beverly Lake, who won a clear majority of the votes cast in Warren County. Dr. Lake's vote was 2716. He was followed by Richardson Preyer with 1731 votes and Dan K. Moore with 579, Kidd Brewer of Raleigh received a total of 28 votes, Burleson 5, and Stansbury 13.

While Dr. Lake won a majority of the votes in Warren County Saturday, he was eliminated in the state race, which saw Preyer emerge as top man with a lead of some 25,000 over runner-up Moore. Moore has already called for a second primary.

Six Negroes seeking major offices in Warren County were defeated, but a Negro candidate defeated a white candidate for Township Constable in Sixpound Township, and in three other townships Negroes had no opposition for constable.

Frank Banzet was high man in the three-man race for House of Representatives, with 2109 votes. W. R. Drake was second with 1574 votes. T. T. Clayton, who received 1344 votes was eliminated. Drake is expected to call for a second primary, it was learned yesterday.

All encumbents on the boards of education and county commissioners were re-nominated.

In the board of education race, Dr. S. H. Massey, Jr., defeated Mrs. Robert E. Ransom, Negro, 3554 to 1317; Eugene R. Davis defeated Ernest A. Turner, Negro, 3369 to 1327; and W. Boyd Mayfield defeated Walter R. Boyd, Negro, 3474 to 1235.

In the race for a seat on the board of county commissioners Alfred J. Ellington led the ticket with 3549 as he defeated John R. Ellis, Negro, who received 1375 votes. Commissioner Richard R. Davis was two votes behind Ellington as he defeated Marvin K. Boyd, 3547 to 1293.

The special 5¢ tax for the employment of an industrial engineer passed 2711 to 1890. In this referendum 12 of the 14 precincts gave a majority for the special levy, with only Roanoke and Smith Creek voting against the tax. Heaviest vote for the tax was in West Warrenton precinct where 503 votes were cast for the tax and 237 against. East Warrenton's vote was 333 for and 194 against.

In Judkins Township Roy B. Clark defeated Haley Robertson by three votes in the race for Township Constable. Clark received 158 votes and Robertson 155 votes.

Wiley D. Vaughan, encumbent, defeated Charles Loyd, Jr., 995 to 319 in a race for Warrenton Township Constable. Vaughan received 593 votes to Loyd's 178 in West Warrenton Precinct, and 402 to 141 in East Warrenton Precinct.

George E. Shearin, Negro, defeated Earl Lewis by three votes in the race for Township Constable in Sandy Creek. Shearin received 189 votes and Lewis 186.

Three Negroes became the Democratic nominees for Township Constable when they failed to receive opposition. They are Leroy Cheek in Shocco; Francis Alston in Smith Creek, and James Jordan in Nutbush.

Election returns were slow in being reported Saturday night due to the heavy vote, and a complete return was not available until the next day. In West Warrenton Precinct where more than 1000 votes were cast, the count was not completed until 4 a. m. Sunday.

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How Warren County Voted In Democratic Primary

	RIVER	JUDKINS	SIXPOUND	HAWTREE	NUTBUSH	SMITH CREEK	SANDY CREEK	SHOCCO	FORK	FISHING CREEK	NORLINA	EAST WARRENTON	WEST WARRENTON	ROANOKE	TOTAL
GOVERNOR															
Brewer	3	0	1	2	4	0	0	0	1	2	6	1	7	1	28
Burleson	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	5
Lake	276	196	179	382	104	109	142	86	62	81	395	328	371	5	2716
Moore	77	23	16	28	28	18	56	16	21	77	54	70	76	19	579
Preyer	122	101	103	136	103	30	186	121	47	93	119	196	342	32	1731
Stansbury	0	2	1	0	0	0	1	1	2	1	0	1	2	2	13
LT. GOVERNOR															
Blue	190	115	103	228	80	87	128	47	43	117	255	282	299	8	1982
Jordan	69	22	43	35	22	12	30	13	10	16	43	50	78	6	449
Scott	188	168	143	250	124	50	202	145	74	93	258	221	362	43	2321
COM. OF LABOR															
Castlebury	131	125	112	160	89	39	151	99	27	76	157	166	275	31	1638
Crane	229	99	94	216	84	42	147	70	33	94	265	217	306	13	1909
Wardell	40	53	47	89	33	50	42	24	24	33	75	91	85	17	703
COM. OF INS.															
Frederick	42	28	22	52	9	13	6	12	10	24	44	34	36	8	481
Lanier	299	212	204	310	172	66	302	153	58	145	372	383	561	40	3124
Whitley	57	37	36	111	28	55	24	28	22	38	88	85	88	7	681
HOUSE REP.															
Danzet	279	123	60	210	114	81	150	73	38	136	312	219	297	20	2109
Drake	114	104	172	220	36	49	56	34	53	47	181	246	256	6	1574
Clayton	83	89	70	121	87	25	174	111	40	72	82	119	235	36	1344
BD. EDUCATION															
Mrs. R.E. Ransom	84	81	71	123	83	26	179	110	35	65	82	110	229	39	1317
S. H. Massey	377	222	215	419	140	123	184	107	86	181	478	458	543	21	3554
E. R. Davis	353	193	199	400	126	119	184	98	89	189	442	425	530	22	3369
E. A. Turner	82	88	75	123	85	27	162	109	42	61	86	127	224	36	1327
W. B. Mayfield	363	206	199	416	148	130	192	109	88	180	461	428	524	24	3474
W. R. Boyd	76	76	70	117	78	23	162	98	36	58	79	116	217	29	1235
COUNTY COM.															
A.J. Ellington	373	213	214	420	149	130	199	106	90	177	477	448	531	22	3549
J. R. Ellis	85	98	76	117	81	27	171	107	40	79	87	126	244	37	1375
M. K. Boyd	73	87	60	91	72	32	169	100	34	62	92	109	223	35	1239
R. R. Davis	381	208	218	421	142	117	201	111	92	189	457	447	539	24	3547
SPECIAL 5¢ TAX															
For	229	155	150	291	125	64	240	124	65	124	289	333	503	20	2711
Against	211	140	136	220	87	86	100	64	61	92	234	194	237	28	1890

Warren Record, 6-5-64

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Warren Record, 6-5-64

Offers A Needed Lesson

In 1939 Warren County's per capita debt was $3.94, the lowest in the state, according to figures compiled by Lewis and Hall, investment securities, of Greensboro, at that time.

According to the same source, the average per capita debt of the state was $47.35. The per capita debt of Vance County was $22.70; Franklin County, $20.57; and Halifax $17.76.

Twenty-five years ago the average per capita debt of the counties of the state was more than ten times as much as the debt of Warren County, and the debt of surrounding counties was fives times as much as that of Warren County.

In the twenties both Warrenton and Warren County were growing, building schools and otherwise providing county needs in large part through the issuance of bonds. As a result, when the Great Depression came Warren County had a rather heavy bonded indebtedness, although probably not as large as many or most counties of the state. A board of commissioners was elected whose goal was to "get the county out of debt." How well they succeeded was revealed in the figures of 1939. At what cost is only partially revealed by Warren County's economic plight today.

In order to accomplish their goal of getting the county out of debt, the commissioners simply stopped expenditures for capital outlay. Unfortunately this was done at a time when costs were low and Federal aid was considerable.

During the twenties white schools were consolidated in modern buildings, but little was done toward consolidation of Negro schools. Little or none was done in the thirties, and practically none was possible during the war years.

As a result when the state bond issue was passed, Warren County's share had to be expended almost entirely for the construction and consolidation of schools for Negroes. A $400,000 bond issue passed last year was earmarked and has been largely spent for Negro schools, and at least $500,000 more is needed to complete the modernization of the Negro schools of the county. At least another half million dollars is needed to build a consolidated high school for white children.

Twenty-five years later when the effects of poor economy are apparent, it is easy to blame the commissioners for their short-sightedness. But that is hardly fair to the dedicated men who then composed the board unless one takes into consideration the times—they were truly bad. And the men had been reared in the philosophy that the garment must be cut to fit the cloth and little consideration was given to the feasibility of obtaining more cloth. Those were very conservative men.

But the action of those commissioners of twenty-five years ago is a splendid illustration of the maxim that "a stitch in time saves nine." It should be a lesson for those today who have not yet learned that true economy is the wise expenditure of money.

Commissioners of other counties, faced with similar problems, were less conservative than those of Warren County. They realized that schools must be built and that counties can not stand still without going backward. They used a stitch in time and saved more than nine. Due to progressive action their counties have expanded, good schools have been an incentive to industry, and increased valuations have made possible a lower tax rate. Such was not the case in Warren County and the long range result is that we have paid for things we never got.

Here should be a lesson for the ultra-conservatives of today who fight everything calling for the expenditure of tax dollars.

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June 6, 1964

Mrs. Eva M. Clayton
P.O. Box 612
Warrenton, North Carolina

Dear Mrs. Clayton:

Thank you for the financial reporting which we received in this office last week. As usual, it was clear, concise and comprehensive.

As a matter of fact, there is one step you are taking in your reporting which must be causing you a great deal of work and taking up a great deal of your time. Since you report so beautifully on the voucher half of your checks when you write them, we get in that manner all the information we need for our books. Therefore, you need not make out separate vouchers to attach to each check carbon you submit. Vouchers are to be used only for petty cash explanations, or others where meaning might not be clear. We appreciate your efforts to give us such accurate reporting, but we also appreciate how busy you are and would like to save this time and effort for you.

Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

Jean Levine
Fiscal Assistant

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Warren County Voter Registration Project
P. O. Box 533
Warrenton, North Carolina

Mrs. Eva M. Clayton, Co-Chairman

Recd 6-11-64

Radio Announcement

One vote counts. Your vote counts. When you vote, you help create leaders--instead of bosses, you help politicians reflect the will of the voters, you become a real American Citizen, and you are an influence for good government.

But, before you vote at all--you've got to register! Register today so you can vote for a better tomorrow!

Free transportation is provided for all citizens to their precinct registration office in Warren County today and each of the weekdays during the registration period ending May 16.

Anyone desiring transportation, call 257-3238--Warren County Voter Registration Project.

ALL CITIZENS ARE URGED

TO REGISTER THIS SATURDAY

AND VOTE ON MAY 30th.

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REMEMBER

TO HAVE AN ACTIVE PART IN YOUR

LOCAL, STATE AND NATIONAL GOVERNMENT:

YOU MUST BE A REGISTERED VOTER

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Paid By Warren County Voter Registration Project

VEP 4-15 Research

Drake Announces That He Will Be Candidate In Second Primary

Warren Rec., 6-12-64

Wilton R. Drake, Mayor of Macon, who ran a strong second in the three-man race for House of Representatives from Warren County, has called for a run-off with attorney Frank Banzet in the June 27 second Primary...

In calling the run-off, Drake, who picked up almost 1,600 votes in a three-way race which included Negro attorney T. T. Clayton, said: "I did not enter this campaign lightly and I am calling for a second primary only after careful consideration of all angles and because of the enthusiastic urging of many of my fine supporters from all sections of Warren County who, with me, believe we will win this fight!!"

Drake stated further that "I realize this will be an uphill battle but I cannot let 1,600 people down in the middle of the stream. We feel that we have the organization necessary to bring victory, an organization of dedicated citizens who see the futility of letting a political machine continue in power which hand-picks its candidates and imposes its will upon the people of Warren County. We are anxious to get on with the job of providing sane, Democratic leadership by people who place the well-being of Warren County citizens first in their thinking and who respect the good judgement of all our reliable citizens rather than the self-centered wishes of a few."

In a prepared statement Drake also said, "I desire it to be known to friend and foe of certain untruths and unfounded charges made against me in this campaign by those who are not willing to let the truth prevail. Some who have spread falsehoods probably have done so unwittingly and all I ask is that they consult me personally concerning any quotations which tend to mar my character and my political motivations. I state flatly that I have made no deals and no commitments and that I will be free of any ties which would hamper my effectiveness in the State Legislature."

W. R. DRAKE

"Based upon these facts and, upon my deep and abiding faith in the citizens of Warren County and what they stand for, I shall rest my case with the voters on June 27," Drake concluded.

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REPORT

WARREN COUNTY VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Eva M. Clayton
Director

I. DESCRIPTION OF WARREN COUNTY

A. GEOGRAPHY

Warren County is in the northeastern part of North Carolina along the Virginia State line. It has an area of 443 square miles, or 283,520 acres. The county's farm land consists of 40,807 acres in harvested cropland; 1,313 acres conservation reserve; 1,232 acres soil improving cropland; 12,974 acres idle land; 8,121 acres improved pastures; and 7,527 acres unimproved pastures.

B. POPULATION

According to the 1960 census, the population numbers 19,652, or 44.36 persons a square mile, all classed as rural. Except for towns, all under 2,000 population, the population is fairly well distributed over the county. Population by decades from 1900 shows an increase through the 1940-1950 period. During the 1950-1960 period a sharp decrease in population occurred, with sizeable decreases noted in the 20-49 year age groups. Projection of present migration trends through the period 1960-1980, indicates a possible loss of 7,282 of its present citizens. Warren County has the highest non-white population of any of the North Carolina Counties. Non-whites comprise

64.7% of the total population. Although this percentage has decreased slightly during the past 60 years, it is likely that in the foreseeable future, the majority of the population will remain non-white.

C. TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATION

Transportation routes are Interstate Highway No. 85, U. S. Highways Nos. 1 and 401, State Highways Nos. 158, 43, and 58. County roads extend to all parts of the county. The main line of the Seaboard Air Line Railway crosses the county, and the Norfolk branch of this system leaves the main line at Norlina. Warrenton and Warren Plains are connected by the municipally owned Warrenton Railroad. Both Trailway and Greyhound Bus Lines pass through the county. Rural mail routes reach all parts of the county. Telephone service is available in many parts. Rural electrification covers most of the county.

D. ECONOMY

Agriculture is the county's main source of income. Tobacco and cotton are the major cash crops produced. Dairying and swine production are the major livestock cash enterprises. Cucumbers and cantaloupes are the major horticulture cash crops. Saw timber and pulpwood provide a substantial source of income for many farms. There is little industrial development. The county ranks very low in economic development in comparison with other counties of the state.

E. MEDIAN INCOME

The following table shows family income levels in Warren County by race. It can be noted that non-white family income is less than a third of the average yearly family income for whites.

FAMILY INCOME

INCOME CLASS	NUMBER OF FAMILIES		
	ALL	NON-WHITE	WHITE
Total Families	4,112	2,256	1,856
Under $1,000	1,063	877	186
$1,000 - $1,999	1,037	815	222
$2,000 - $2,999	545	274	271
$3,000 - $3,999	397	180	267
$4,000 - $4,999	307	67	240
$5,000 - $5,999	233	15	218
$6,000 - $6,999	176	44	132
$7,000 - $7,999	94	16	78
$8,000 - $8,999	69	9	60
$9,000 - $9,999	51	5	46
$10,000 - $14,999	97	4	93
$15,000 - $24,000	32		32
$25,000 over	11		11
MEDIAN FAMILY INCOME	$1,958	$1,308	$3,934

The large family size of non-whites, particularly, indicate factors that bear upon the low median family income of this group, as well, as, low wages, seasonal employment, etc.

F. EDUCATION

In Warren County 2,400 adults ahve less than 5 years of schooling. Of this number, 527 have not completed any years of formal training. The county ranks 95th in the State in terms of percentage of "functional illiterates." The median years of educational attainment for adults over 25 is 7.6. The average educational achievement for non-whites is 6.2 and whites 10.5.

G. HOUSING CONDITIONS

Although 49% of the housing units are owner-occupied, many of these homes are sub-standard and located on small farms where the families barely eke a living. Many of the farm tenent

dwellings are sub-standard. Inadequate housing is noted as one of the indexes listed as the contributing cause of the high degree of mobility in the county. Fifty-two percent of the housing units are heated with wood and are without running water. Crowded conditions are quite high in housing units.

H. EMPLOYMENT

Analysis of the labor force in the county shows that a major portion of the workers in the county are in farming. Manufacturing, incljding lumber and wood, engages 16.9% of the labor force. It is significant that large percentages of the labor force are seasonal agricultural workers and work less than 39 weeks per year. The worker to non-worker ratio, 2.48, is high in relation to other areas. Recent statistics by the Employment Security Commission show, however, that unemployment is relatively low, in fact, 2.7%, and places the county 1st among North Carolina Counties in regard to unemployment. This points out the vast problem of seasonal and underemployment.

In t erms of public employment, Negroes have only recently made some gains in a few of the businesses in Warrenton, the county seat, Governmental employment is restricted to teachers and Agricultural Extension and home demonstration workers. A Negro fire unit has existed for many years but there are no police, deputies, or other county, state, or federal employment for non-whites. During the past year, requests have been made by Negroes for employment opportunities in local government and public work. At the time of this registration effort, Negroes occupy no public or party, elective or appointive positions

and occupy no policy making positions in the county. Negroes do occupy advisory committee positions in several county activities which does not have any decided effect upon the operation, maintenance, of direction of policies in the county.

I. POLITICAL POPULATION

The total population of the county includes 6,939 whites and 12,713 non-whites. Of the voting age population, 4,494 are white and 5,624 are non-white. These figures indicate large numbers of non-whites below the 21 year age groups. This data has important significance if the non-whites below voting age remain in the county and exercise franchise in proportion to their number.

J. REGISTRATION

Prior to May 1, 1964, 1379 non-whites were listed on the registration books as eligible voters. Of this number, 225 had been added during the registration period preceeding the recent State Referendum in January.

II. ORGANIZATION OF WARREN COUNTY VOTER REGISTRATION PROJECT

A. NEED

It had long been felt that a permanent organization should be formalized to stimulate political action by the neglected majority and to arouse the interest of the non-whites into intelligent political action. Community leaders realized that efforts, heretofore, unorganized and weak were insufficient to produce tangible results and that a concerted effort should be made by the whole county in voter education, registration, and voting.

B. ORGANIZATION

The Warren County Voter Registration Committee was organized as a coordinated committee from different organizations, churches, and individuals in the county. The N.A.A.C.P. Voter Registration committee was the inspiring force in the organizing of the larger group. Letters of invitation were sent to different organizations and churches to attend a planning meeting for the purpose of organizing the county-wide Registration Committee. The Warren County Voter Registration Project arose from this meeting. It was interesting to note that several persons were willing to work with this larger organization that had no direct affiliation with the N.A.A.C.P. The reason for such reaction could be that they were reluctant to be identified too closely with the NAACP but wantedto work in Voter Registration. Just prior to the organizing of the committee, demonstrations were conducted by the NAACP youth. It is important to mention that the demonstrations served to show many needs for an active voter registration program in the county.

C. LEADERSHIP

The cooperation from the combined leadership of the Negroes in Warren County was apparent and most rewarding. This is not to say that the cooperation of the Negro leadership was entirely complete.

A number of persons showed great leadership ability heretofore unrecognized and beyond the leadershippositions which they occupied prior to the program. Among these were Mrs. Shirley Davis, Reverend Alex Brown, Mrs. Flora Terry, Mrs. Charlotte Baskett, Mrs. Thelma Davis, Mrs. Berteen Wilson, Mrs. Robert Davis, Mrs. Elizabeth Baskerville, Mr. Spencer Skipper, and Mr. Thomas Baskett, to mention a few. Among the youth, four demonstrated tremendous leadership ability in organizing workshops, arranging car pools. They were Stacey Russell, June Stewart, Marva Tunstall, and Joyce Shearin.

D. ADMINISTRATION

The following officers were elected by the Voter Registration Committee who, along with the chairmen of committees, made up the Executive Board:

Mrs. Eva M. Clayton, Co-chairman and Director

Mr. Spencer Skipper, Co=chairman

Mrs. Edna Wright, Secretary

Mr. Thomas Baskett, Treasurer

Responsibility for administration was delegated to the director by the Executive Board. Numerous responsibilities were delegated to committees in specific areas: Church Committee to work with churches, Organization Committee to work with other community organizations; publicity committee to handle materials, posters, etc.; Workshop Committee to plan and direct home and

community workshops; Refreshment Committee to serve refreshments at workshops; Mother's Committee to serve meals during registration and voting to volunteer workers; Transportation Committee to organize transportation; Checker's Committee to organize checkers at registration offices and polling places; Canvass Committee to canvass neighborhoods; Youth Committee to organize youth for volunteer work--picketing, canvassing, baby-sitting, etc.

E. FINANCING

Financing was principally from the Voter Education Project who provided a $1,000 grant to be used during the Month of May. Limited financial assistance was provided locally by small contributions from members of the committee and the NAACP. Many goods and services were rendered by volunteer contributions locally, such as refreshments, transportation, publicity material of workshops, etc. Cash contributions from all sources, exclusive of VEP Grant, amounted to $200. The director worked 3/4 full time without benefit of compensation, along with the co-chairman who worked 1/2 full time without benefit of compensation. Other volunteer personnel gave generously of time without benefit of pay, such as mimeographing and bookkeeping.

III. THE REGISTRATION PROGRAM

A. CONTACT WITH ORGANIZATIONS
   1. Rural Development Units
   2. Home Demonstration Clubs
   3. P.T.A
   4. NAACP
   5. American Legion
   6. Burial Associations
   7. Flower Clubs

B. METHOD OF CONTACT
   1. Letters to heads of organizations
   2. Materials on registration and voting for members
   3. Letters to membership of burial associations
   4. Announcements in regular meeting about registration, voting, and workshops in neighborhoods and precincts.
   5. Speaking engagements to organizations
   6. Registered Voter Honor Rolls

C. CHURCHES
   1. Organs of the Church
      a. Individual churches
      b. Church Associations
      c. Sunday Schools
      d. County-wide Sunday School Convention

   2. Cooperation
      a. Most churches were cooperative
      b. Some refused to encourage registration and voting, and to accept any type of workshop, announcements, or material pertaining to registration and voting. These were few.

   3. Methods of Contact
      a. Workshops (20 were conducted in churches with attendance as high as 75)
      b. Announcements about activities of V.R.P.
      c. Letters of appeal for cooperation in the registration drive to ministers and leaders of churches
      d. Speaking engagements at churches
      e. Voter registration was a part of the county-wide Sunday School Convention. The entire afternoon program was devoted to this idea.

D. ADVERTISEMENT and newspaper ARTICLES
   1. Advertisement in the County weekly newspaper (sample attached in appendix.
   2. Newspaper Articles and Photoes
      a. Newspaper articles and photoes were submitted to the press to keep the public informed of various activities of V.R.P. and the voter registration drive.
      b. The National News Service of A.P. and U.P.I. called on several occasions and sent reporters to secure information about the program of registration. (News clippings attached to appendix.)

E. POSTERS, HANDBILLS, TAGS, ETC.

1. Request were made to several organizations for posters, handbills, and other material on registration and voting, (Samples of this material inclosed)
2. Sample registration forms, rules and regulations, location of precincts, when to register, leaders workshop posters, precnict maps, etc. were done locally by mimeograph.
3. Youth and adults distributed material to homes, churches, businesses, who in turn distributed this material to their members and customers. Posters were tacked along rural roads and highways and in public places and businesses.

F. RADIO TIME:

1. Spot radio announcements were made on WHNC Henderson. Warren County has no radio station.
2. Announcements were made by the station announcer from copy. (Copy submitted with checks 0036 and 0065.
3. Payments were made for announcements at $2.80 each.
4. Announcements were made on weekdays between 4:45 and 5:00 p.m just preceeding the local news broadcast which has mass listening audiences. On Saturdays of registration announcements were made between 8 and 9 a.m.
5. Announcements were made during the three week period April 25 to May 16.
6. Announcements were made the week preceeding May 30 primary by other organizations and the Project did not duplicate this service.

IV

IV. METHODS OF CONDUCTING DRIVE:

A. MASS MEETINGS

1. Prior to May 1, Mass Meetings were held each week during a two month period.
2. Mass Meetings were held at the larger churches in the county, Coley Spring, Snow Hill, Greenwood, Warrenton Baptist.
3. Meetings were held at 7:30 to 8:00 on week nights.
4. Many of these meetings had no printed programs. Included are copies of programs available.
6. Speakers for these meetings included among others; Rev. C. W. Ward, state chairman of NAACP Voter Registration; Charles McLean, Fiel Secretary of State NAACP; James Brooks, National Director of Voter Registration NAACP. These persons were invited because of their interest and experience in the field of voter registration and political affairs.
7. Speakers stressed the service and work that all citizens should play and the value of cooperative participation was always mentioned.
8. Persons attending Mass Meetings were told how they could work voluntarily and were encouraged to give their names to chairmen of various committees who were available for the type of work each individual wanted to hlep with.
9. Persons were invited to visit the headquarters which had been made available by Mr. G. M. Brown, a Warrenton businessman at any time for further instructions .

B. LEADERSHIP WORKSHOPS:
1. Two leadership workshops were held at the beginning of the registration program.
2. One was a night meeting with leaders from several counties.
3. One was an all day workshop, including a night Mass Meeting for community and voluntary leaders.
3. Basic instructions, procedure, goals, andproblems were discussed for precinct leaders. These leaders formed the nucleus of workshop and precinct volunteer workers.

C. COOPERATION FROM ORGANIZATIONS:
1. Cooperation from the organizations listed in III-A and III-B was responsible for the results of the registration effort.
2. Many of these organizations experienced their first awareness of the task of political action.
3. Additional emphasis must be applied to these organizations inorder to make them completely functional in the vital area. This is a continuing function of the Voter Registration Project--keeping these organizations conscience of the need for action and the part they can continually play in bringing about 100 percent participation from their members and neighborhoods.
4. Organizations invited members of the Voter Registration Committee to conduct Workshops for their members.
5. Organizations encourage their members to register and vote.
6. Organizations distributed registration material to their members and around their precincts.

D. STAFF:
1. Office
   a. The Director volunteered 3/4 full time.
   b. Three youths served as clerks and typist part time with a small stipend given
   c. Mimeographing and bookkeeping was voluntarily done
   d. Co-chairman served voluntarily 1/2 time and worked continuously in the field in various precincts with the director in workshops, canvassing, securing volunteers, etc.
2. Field Volunteers
   a. Mothers who prepared food on 4 Saturdays
   b. Volunteers who prepared food for workshops
   c. Youth door canvassers
   d. Adult door canvassers
   e. Workshop Leaders
   f. Additional typist
   g. Poster painters

E. DOOR TO DOOR CANVASSING:
1. Leaders canvassed their community and precinct where such leadership was available. Where there was no leadership other volunteers went into these areas. Canvassing was designed to inform and instruct prospective registrants. Canvassers gave information such as why, how, when, and where to register. Prospective registrants were offered

such services as baby sitters and transportation. A note to this effect was made on the survey sheet.

2. Canvassers were volunteers. They were from all walks of life. During the registration period, canvassers were primarily local high school and college students. The United Campus Christian Ministry brough college students from N. C.

C College and Duke University to help with canvassing and checking at registration offices during the registration period. Other college students came from A & T College on weekends to help canvass areas.

D. All canvassers were given "canvass Sheets" (sample in appendix) in which to list names, addresses, and information about each person talked with. Record of these canvass sheets were made for the permanent record of the Project and coming registration drives.

D. Canvassers, particularly students, received orientation and training. Adults who were canvassing were orientated in the use of material and registrarion information. Canvassers were motivated, for the most part, by the vast need for greater participation in politics and the conditions fo our county and how these conditions could be altered by greater participation in politics. Canvassers attempted to relate how each persons family and community could be helped and how they are affected by the ballot. Prospective registratns were told that the ballot was one of the main roads to freedom for the Negro.

E. Special problems were referred back to the Director or co-chairman who took appropriate measures

F. Follow-up was done by members of the Voter Registration Committee from notations and references made by earlier canvassers.

G. Picketing was done by youth in Warrenton, the county seat during the Saturdays of registration and voting. Youth carried signs about registration and voting and distributed material on the streets of Warrenton.

V. THE REGISTRATION PROCESS:

A. Registrars, in most precincts, used a 'slow-down' tactic to discourage large Negro Registration. Registrants were encouraged to take as long as they wanted, sometimes from 30 minutes to an hour, and then were turned down. Many of the registrars were rude and uncooperative initially. One registrar had one of the Project's checkers arrested when she questioned him about his procedure with white and Negro registrants. (She was convicted and fined $50 in the municipal court but was freed upon her appeal in the Superior Court.)

B. Letters of protest were sent to Warren County Board of Elections following the first Saturday of registration with copies being sent to state and federal authorities. F. B. I. Investigators were later sent to investigate the practices of the registrars. Affidavits were taken of all incidents of discrimination.

C. Registration was available the first two weeks only on Saturdays. Registrars admitted that this was done upon the orders of the Warren County Board of Elections. It was requested that citizens be allowed to register during

the day or at nights at the homes of registrars. This request was granted during the final days of the last week of registration and only after an injunction from the Federal Court.

D. There was no neighborhood registration.

E. Registrants had to read and write. In most cases, almost perfection was required. Some registrants were turned down for mispronouncing one or two words or not accurately identifying their precinct. (On previous registration forms used, the word "township" was listed. On current forms, the word "precinct" was substituted. Many registrants, familiar with "township" were not familiar with the word "precinct".) Some registrants were disqualified becuase they did not complete all of the required reading and writing in the prescribed time, even though they failed to complete one or several words. Affidavits were taken of all reported incidents of discrimination and appeal forms were given to the registrarss as prescribed by law. Many of these persons were later registered by the Board of Election as a result of appeals.

F. THE SLOWDOWN TACTICS EMPLOYED BY THE REGISTRARS the first week was well organized. We feel this was official, however, the chairman of the Board of Elections has denied these charges. There was definite harassment of individuals by whites and by the KKK. A large KKK rally was held in the county during this period of registration. This rally was held in the township in which more Negroes had been registered during the current drive. They followed the rally withpersonal contacts with Negroes stating there would be trouble at the polls if they showed up to vote.

G. Arrnagements were made to have checkers at each of the registration offices to answer questions about the registration procedure from registrants and make an unofficial count of the number of persons applying for registration. These checkers were supplied with appeal forms to give registrants who felt discrimination was employed. These checkers keep records of the number of Negroes who presented themselves for registration, who were registered, and those denied registration. In many instances, the facilities provided and the distance that most checkers had to remain from the registration activity made it impossible to maintain accurate figures of these activities.

H. THere were two to three drivers in all 14 precincts of the county to take registrants to polls. These drivers were equipped with registration (sample) forms and instructed registratnts on the rules and regulations governing registration.

I. All names of persons attempting to register were recorded as accurately as possible. This included those that were

registered, failed and reason for failing. Many of the individuals who failed because of literacy were given extra attention individually or in small workshops and efforts were made to improve theri reading and writing abilities. Some persons were helped successfully in this manner. However, we were unable to go into any concentrated effort in adult education because of time and finance. Plans are developed and program underway for the summer months for those persons who were unable to register during the last registration drive who were unable to register because of literacy deficienceies. This effort is being developed for the October registration effort.

I. Newspapers gave considerable coverage to Warren County's registration drive. This extra coverage may have been give because of the high Negro population in the county. White registration during this registration period was also increased but, as of this date, we have not been able to secure official recores of the actual white or Negro registration form the Board of Election hor this period. We made this request before the registration period and at the time we secured the copy of the registration books which did not include the May registration. Payment was made to include the names of new registrants also.

VI. ATTITUDE OF PUBLIC OFFICIALS:

A. No effort was made to conduct the registration campaign in secrecy or privately. Public officials were consulted only as the need arose for services or information. Difficulties were encountered in securing information from the Chairman of the local Board of Election about precinct boundaries, number and names of registered voters, etc. No information was every volunteered from public officials and in most cases persistent pressure was needed to get information.

B. Precinct workers at registration and polling places presented themselves to the registrar first and explained their purposes for being present during registration. Some registrars were openly rude, others asked workers from the premises, others ignored them. It was necessary to have a local attorney vistt registration places to talk with registrars and clarify the legal rights of registration workers. Some registrars were quite congenial and expressed approval of the registration program. Some felt that this type of activity was a vital need of the area for both white and Negro. However, these were a minority.

VII. RESULTS OF THE DRIVE

A. According to the records kept by registration workers and information from appeals approximately 802 persons (non-white) were registered during this registration drive.

B. As of this date, the project committee has been unable to get official records of the registration period.

C. Volunteers averaged 65 each Saturday of registration and voting. These were not always the same people, however, many worked continuously each week. Students from colleges in the area came in to assist. Local high school students made up a part of the volunteer workers. Adult volunteers perhaps did the most effective job. More were needed.

D. Paid personnel was restricted to several girls who did typing and filing in the Registration Project Headquarters. Four girls were used part time and three were employed to clean headquarters several times during the registration period. Because of the need for greater orgainization and personal contacts the future efforts should have more paid personnel.

E. No incentives were offered for increased registration either to prospects or to workers.

VIII. A. Results of the Registration Effort was for many of the volunteers and Project Committee disappointing. The goal of 2500 new registrants was widely missed. However, the interest created in political action as a result of the campaign and local primary election and run-off indicates that the future will be better.

B. The organization needs to be strengthened and more leaders recruited to work in many precincts. The method of reaching prospective registrants through personal contacts--canvassing, home workshops, and mail CAMPAIGNS should be increased. And, more and better promotion through existing organizations is necessary.

C. Year-round emphasis and focus on the problem is necessary to meet some of the problems involved that are long range. Attitudes of many people must be changed and literacy levels increased. To meet this situation, a program of literacy education is currently underway during the summer months in one of the precincts which has lowest registration. This program is progressing nicely. Citizenship Education Workshops are being conducted in a number of communities throughout the county. This, we feel, will help to meet the vast problems encountered during the spring registration drive.

D. Larger expenditures for postage, personnel, and promotion are vital to the improvement of future registration efforts. This will be necessary to reach potential registrants that are not active in existing organizations through personal contacts in rural areas of the county.

E. The experiences gained through the registration drive was quite meaningful to those that worked and served to develop additional leadership abilities and interest in this area of community life. For the registrants who were newly registered it provided a rich feeling of accomplishment and dignity that had not been experienced before. The directors of the project feel that this project and its continuation is well worth the effort expended and hope for a more successful future.

NORTH CAROLINA AFFIDAVIT

WARREN COUNTY

I. _____, attempted to register this the _____ day of _____, 1964, and was told by the registrar, (Mr., Mrs.) _____, that I was not qualified for the following reasons:

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Affiant

Sworn to and subscribed to before me this _____ day of _____, 1964.

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WB

M E M O R A N D U M July 25, 1964

To: Wiley A. Branton
From: Jean Levine
Re: Final Accounting on VeP 4-15 (Warren County)

VEP Grant - 4/25/64 $1000.00

Disbursements:

Adv. Prom. & Print.	$412.67	
Meals	8429	
Office Supplies	144.55	
Postage	73.00	
Salaries	78.75	
Tel. & Tel.	63.60	
Trav. & Trans.	166.94	
Utilities	.90	
		1024.70

Apparently spent of their own money ($ 24.70)

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AUG 17 1964

Post Office Box 533
Warrenton, North Carolina
August 15, 1964

Mr. Wiley A. Branton
Voter Education Project
Room 206
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton:

We have been conducting a Citizenship Education Project under the sponsership of the American Friends Service Committee. One of the important aspects of this project is a pilot program in Adult Literacy which has been initiated in a community which has a high illiteracy rate. It is interesting to note that in this community (Nutbush Township), a large number of persons presentdd themselves for the purpose of registering last May; however, more than one-half (1/2) were unsuccessful.

The citizens of Warren County are extremely interested in following through with a Registration Program this fall. We hope to start some of our activities in September. I would like to request the use of the film, titled, " Right Now ", to show to a Mass Meeting on September 14, 1964.

The Voter Registration Committee of Warren County is completing their plans for an extensive campaign this fall, and will submit a budget immediately.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Eva M. Clayton

EMT:vlw

VEP 9-15

WB

WARREN COUNTY

VOTER REGISTRATION PROJECT

Post Office Box 533
Warrenton, North Carolina

August 27, 1964

AUG 31 1964

Mr. Wiley A. Branton, Director
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton:

Thank you for the film, "Right Now!" This film will be quite useful in our current registration efforts.

We shall be happy to send you a summary of the citizenship education project when this report is completed.

Enclosed is a budget proposal for our fall registration project. Our efforts will be helped considerably if a grant from VEP would become effective September 14 when our pre-registration activities will begin.

We are planning a massive registration program here on the evening of September 20, 1964. We will be happy if you could arrange to speak at this meeting. Please, let us know if this will be possible.

Again, we appreciate the helpful consideration given us by VEP and feel confident that your continued help will enable us to change the traditional political picture of Warren County and the Second Congressional District of North Carolina.

Sincerely yours,

Eva M. Clayton

Eva M. Clayton

EMC:cc

VAP 4.15

WARREN COUNTY

VOTER REGISTRATION PROJECT

Post Office Box 533
Warrenton, North Carolina

PROJECT DATE: September 14 through November 3, 1964

PARTICIPANTS: NAACP, P.T.A., Churches and Church related organs, Civic and social clubs, and interested citizens

ADMINISTRATION: Eva M. Clayton, Director; Spencer Skipper, Co-director; Edna D. Wright, Secretary

GOAL: 2,000 newly registered voters

PROGRAM:

A. PRE-REGISTRATION PERIOD

1. Mail Campaign
2. Door-to-Door Canvassing
3. Mass Meetings
4. Community Workshops
5. Coordination of county clubs and organizations
6. Newspaper and Radio advertisements
7. Organization of precinct leaders

B. REGISTRATION PERIOD

1. Door-to-Door Canvassing
2. Telephone
3. Mail
4. Newspaper and Radio Advertisements
5. Service
   a. Transportation of registrants
   b. Babysitters for registrants
   c. Food for volunteer workers
6. Precinct checkers
7. Instruction

C. GET OUT THE VOTE

1. Mail
2. Telephone
3. Door-to-Door Reminder
4. Radio and Newspaper Advertisement
5. Mass Meeting
6. Service
   a. Transpotation of voters
   b. Babysitters for voters
   c. Food for volunteer workers
7. Poll watchers

WARREN COUNTY

VOTER REGISTRATION PROJECT

BUDGET PROPOSAL

September 14 - November 3, 1964

SALARY:	Administrative, clerical	$ 1,000.00
TRAVEL:	Gas	300.00
POSTAGE		250.00
PRINTING & MIMEOGRAPHING		500.00
SUPPLIES		500.00
TELEPHONE		200.00
FOOD		200.00
ADVERTISEMENT		200.00
RENT AND MAINTENANCE OF OFFICE		200.00
MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES		300.00
		$ 3,650.00

NOTE: Most of the mimeographing, clerical, and administration in the May Registration Drive was volunteered. This is not possible for the forth coming Registration Drive.

September 1, 1964

Mrs. Eva M. Clayton
Chairman
Warren County VEP
P. O. Box 612
Warrenton, North Carolina

RE: VEP 4-15

Dear Mrs. Clayton:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter and budget proposal of August 27. My schedule is very crowded at the moment, and I would be reluctant to accept your invitation to speak at a September 20 mass meeting, as I do not like to have to cancel engagements. I think it is best that you not schedule me for that date.

I note that your budget proposal includes a "Get-Out-The-Vote" budget. Our immediate concern is one of actual registration, and we would appreciate it if you would tell us how much of this budget would be earmarked for the actual registration period. Your budget request is unusually high, and I doubt if we can give you what you request, but would like to give you as much as possible for actual registration. Please advise.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

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SEP 9 1964

WARREN COUNTY
VOTER REGISTRATION PROJECT
P. O. Box 533
Warrenton, North Carolina

September 6, 1964

Mr. Wiley A, Branton, Director
Voter Registration Project
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Thank you, Mr. Branton . . .

. . . for your letter of September 1, 1964. We regret you you will not be a ble to speak to our people as hoped.

In rega rd to our budget, we realize the figures may seem somewhat high, but experience indicates that in a rural area such as ours, the cost of maintaining an effective program is high.

An amount of $600 may be decucted from our budget for supporting the "GET OUT THE VOTE."

We would appreciate your ma ximum support in this registration effort here.

Sincerely yours,

Eva M. Clayton
Eva M. Clayton

EMC:cc

#1 Prog' Prop. File
#2 Prog Reports.

Bring up

Hold Dave Info WAB

4-15

September 18, 1964

Mrs. Eva Clayton
Warren County Voter Education
Project
Post Office Box 612
Warrenton, North Carolina

RE: VEP 4-15

Dear Mrs. Clayton:

It appears that VEP will only be able to make you a grant in the amount of $1,000 in support of your October voter registration program, and these funds must be spent on active voter registration programs. If you will let us know how you propose to spend the $1,000 toward your overall budget, and give us some indication as to when you want the money, then we will be able to process your grant.

I am embarrassed to admit that we have misplaced your letter and proposal of August 27, and I would appreciate it if you would send us another copy for our files, or send the one you already have, and we will make a photocopy of it and return it to you.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:bs
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OFFICE PHONE: 257-3195

RES. PHONE: 257-4582

THEAOSEUS T. CLAYTON
ATTORNEY AT LAW
WARRENTON, N. C.

OCT 14 1964

12 October 1964

Mr. Wiley A. Brandon, Director
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Brandon:

Enclosed please find the budget for the Warren County Voter Registration Project. I called your office today and talked to your secretary, giving her this information over the telephone, as it is getting late and I wanted you to have this information as early as possible, in order that an immediate disposition might be made with reference to the funds requested in this project.

You had written a letter to me but I did not receive it until Saturday because the address showed my wife's box number.

Please let us hear from you as early as possible. With very kind regard, I remain

Very truly yours,

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THEAOSEUS T. CLAYTON

TTC/pth
Enclosure

VEP 4-15

WARREN COUNTY

VOTER REGISTRATION PROJECT

Post Office Box 533
Warrenton, North Carolina

October 12, 1964

BUDGET

TRANSPORTATION	$250.00
SALARY	150.00
MIMEOGRAPHING	150.00
SUPPLIES	150.00
FOOD FOR VOLUNTEERS	150.00
ADVERTISEMENT	100.00
MISCELLANEOUS	50.00
	$1,000.00

From: Mr. T.T. Clayton
Warrenton, N.C.
(Warren County Voter Reg. Project)

TO: WAB

RE: Budget Proposal ($1000) 10/12/64
3:45 p.m.

Transportation	—	$250
Salary	—	150 (2 typist)
Mimeographing	—	150
Supplies	—	150
Food	—	150 (volunteers)
Advertising	—	100
Miscellaneous	—	50
		$1,000

Mr. Clayton read this budget over the phone so that we could rush check to him if possible. A written (duplicate) budget should arrive in our office tomorrow or Wednesday

SS

October 1, 1964

Mr. T. T. Clayton
Warren County Voter Registration Project
Post Office Box 533
Warrenton, North Carolina

RE: VEP 4-15

Dear Mr. Clayton:

This will acknowledge receipt of Mrs. Eva M. Clayton's letter of September 29 ~~at~~ which she informs us that you will be serving as director of the voter education program in Warren County this fall.

In our letter to Mrs. Clayton of September 18, we had requested information as to how you propose to spend the $1,000 grant which we have tentatively approved for your project, and we must have this information before we can process your grant.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:bs

VEP 4-15

Rec'd 10/1/64

WARREN COUNTY

VOTER REGISTRATION PROJECT

Post Office Box 533
Warrenton, North Carolina

September 29, 1964

Mr. Wiley A. Branton, Director
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton:

Thank you for your letter of September 18, 1964 stating that VEP would help Warren County Voter Registration Program this fall.

We have made a few changes in our organization structure for the fall campaign. The officers are: Co-Chairman - Mrs. Flora Terry, Mrs. Dorothy Turner; Secretary - Mrs. Edna Wright; and Treasurer - Mrs. Elnora Ellis. Attorney T. T. Clayton (husband) will serve as director in my stead. I am presently a student in law school.

We have started our voter registration program and are in need of funds immediately. We have used the films on two occassions and hope to use it continuously.

We shall look forward to hearing from you as soon as it may be convenient.

Very truly yours,

Eva M Clayton

Eva M. Clayton

EMC/pth

PLEASE SIGN AND RETURN THIS COPY TO VEP

Receipt acknowledged this 16th day of October, 1964.

SIGNED: Theanna T. Clayton

Mr. T. T. Clayton, Director

Voter Education Project

A PROGRAM OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

ROOM 206 / 5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. / ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

OCT 19 1964

October 14, 1964

Mr. T. T. Clayton, Director
Warren County Voter Education Project
P. O. Box 533
Warrenton, North Carolina

RE: VEP 4-15

Dear Mr. Clayton:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of October 12 in which you enclosed a budget for your crash registration program which is now underway in Warrenton County, North Carolina. We are enclosing our VEP check in the amount of $1,000, representing payment of the grant in full. These funds are to be used in an active voter registration program in Warrenton County, and we understand that this program will terminate on October 24, 1964.

Just in case the instructions and conditions covering the grant are not known to you from the previous program which your wife directed, I am enclosing a complete set of instructions. Let me place emphasis on the fact that no portion of these funds may be used to engage in partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor in behalf of, or against, any particular candidate. This restriction applies even in the case of Negro candidates.

Please acknowledge receipt of this check, and your understanding of the terms and conditions of the grant, by signing the enclosed carbon of this letter, and returning the same to us at once.

It should be understood that VEP reserves the right to cancel this program at any time, and to demand the return of any unused portion of the grant. These funds should be deposited in a separate bank account from any funds coming to you from any other source. You should have enough voucher checks on hand from the last program to carry you through this project, but we

Please note that we require weekly financial reporting, and since your project is of such short duration, you may wait until your registration books close, and furnish us with a detailed report regarding this registration program, but we will still expect the financial reporting weekly.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:js
Encls: $1,000 check - Instructions
cc: Financial
Copy to be signed

Theodore J. Clayton

WB

OCT 22 1964

Warren County Voter
Registration Project
Route 1, Box 334
Norlina, North Caro.
October 20, 1964

Mr. Wiley A. Branton, Director
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Alantic 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton:

We were very pleased to recieve the One Thousand Dollars ($1.000) for support in our Registration Program. We are following the instructions for Expenses and Reporting.

We are very gratful for your support, and thank you for the Grant.

Sincerely,
Flora W. Terry
(Mrs.) Flora W. Terry

VEP 4-15

January 11, 1965

Mr. T. T. Clayton
Warren County VEP
P. O. Box 533
Warrenton, North Carolina

RE: VEP 4-15

Dear Mr. Clayton:

It is embarrassing to me that we have not been able to get the financial report which you promised in our telephone conversation of December 16, to send immediately. Will you please rush us the final financial report, together with a check representing a refund of the unused portion of your grant.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:js

Note: WAB called Mr. Clayton 1/20/65, and he has promised to send the above info in immediately.

Material (financial report) rec'd 1/25/65.

M E M O R A N D U M January 4, 1965

TO: Wiley A. Branton
FROM: Jean Levine
RE: Final Report on Accounting of VEP 4-15
(Warren County Voter Registration Project)

Grants:		
4/25/64	$1000.00	$1000.00
Disbursements:		
Adv. Pring. & Prom.	$412.67	
Meals	84.29	
Office Supplies	144.55	
Postage	73.00	
Salaries	78.75	
Tel. & Tel.	63.70	
Trav. & Trans.	166.94	
Utilities	.90	1024.70
Overaccounted		($24.70)
Grant 10/14/64		$1000.00
Unaccounted Balance		$ 975.30

2000.00
1029.92
1024.70
5.22

jl

December 29, 1964

Mr. Theaoseus T. Clayton
Attorney at Law
Warrenton, North Carolina

RE: VEP 4-15

Dear Mr. Clayton:

When I talked with you on December 16 on the phone, you promised to send us a financial and progress report immediately, but as of this date, we have not heard from you.

Even if there will be some delay in furnishing us with a progress report, there should be no delay in the immediate submission of an up-to-date financial report, together with a refund of the unused portion of your grant. We will accept carbon copies of the checks which have been made in lieu of any detailed financial accounting, but we probably will want to examine all cancelled checks and vouchers at a later date to meet Internal Revenue requirements. Will you please send us this financial information and refund so that we will receive it by January 10, 1965.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:js

December 2, 1964

Mr. T. T. Clayton
Warren County VEP
P. O. Box 533
Warrenton, North Carolina

RE: VEP 4-15

Dear Mr. Clayton:

We are closing all of our VEP accounts, and I am requesting that you please send to us by December 10, 1964, an up-to-date financial accounting on your grant, together with a refund of the unused portion.

We are also in need of a final progress report describing your last registration program. You should not hold up the sending of the financial report in order to send the progress report, as we must have the former as quickly as possible.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:js

November 24, 1964

Mrs. T. T. Clayton
Warren County Voter Edu-
cation Project
P.O. Box 533
Warrenton, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Clayton:

Re VEP 4-15

We must have final financial reporting together with a check for any unused portion of the grant we made your project.

As you know the Voter Education Project is in its terminal phase and we must close the books on your account.

Sincerely,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:jl

October 27, 1964

Mr. T. T. Clayton
Warren County Voter Education
Project
P. O. Box 533
Warrenton, North Carolina

RE: VEP 4-15

Dear Mr. Clayton:

I regret that it was not convenient for us to get together when I came to Warrenton last week, but Mrs. Terry was kind enough to explain your current registration progaam.

It seems rather obvious that you will not be able to make wise use of the full amount of your grant, and we will therefore expect a refund of the unused portion of your grant.

In talking with Mrs. Terry on the phone yesterday morning, I suggested that it would probably be helpful for you to keep the office open until the November 3 election in order to assist persons in explaining the mechanics of voting and the location of the polling places. You may use the VEP grant to pay the rent, utilities, and salary of the office secretary until that time. This allowance is conditioned upon the use of the office in a non-partisan manner, otherwise, you should terminate VEP support immediately.

With kind personal regards.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:js

Another letter written 11/24/64 by J.L.

OFFICE PHONE: 257-3195

RES. PHONE: 257-4582

THEAOSEUS T. CLAYTON
ATTORNEY AT LAW
WARRENTON, N. C.
P. O. Box 236

January 22, 1965

Mr. Wiley A. Branton
Room 206 5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton:

First of all, I must apologize for the long delay in furnishing you the report that you have requested several times.

Enclosed please find an up-to-date Financial Report, along with a check for the unused portion of the grant, which as you can see, is very small.

Even though, this report is late getting to you, it is being hurriedly transmitted, and I am therefore, deleting the detailed summary of the activity during the period that the Project was under way. I gathered from my telephone conversation with you the other day, that this would be alright, in-asmuch as you visited the area and became somewhat familiar with the activities here during that period.

With my very best regards, I remain

Very truly yours,

Theaoseus T. Clayton

Theaoseus T. Clayton

TTC/bgt

Enclosures

WARREN COUNTY VOTER REGISTRATION PROJECT

JAN 25 1965

Receipts:	- - - - - - - - - - - _ V E P GRANT	$ 1000.00
Disbursements:	Checks paid from Project Account (See cancelled checks and added column on tape.)	$ 991.93
	Bank Service Charges	2.85
	Balance remaining in account	5.22
		$ 1000.00

FINANCIAL

January 11, 1965

Mr. T. T. Clayton
Warren County VEP
P. O. Box 533
Warrenton, North Carolina

RE: VEP 4-15

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Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:js

April 14, 1965

Mr. T. T. Clayton
P. O. Box 533
Warrenton, North Carolina

RE: VEP 4-15

Dear Mr. Clayton:

Your continued failure to respond to our letters creates serious problems for us, and will certainly adversely affect our willingness to make future grants to local projects such as yours.

Won't you please send us the information which we have been requesting as reflected in the attached photocopy of a letter dated January 28?

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:js
Encl.

Never answered
filed 8/24/65
JS

Note: On 2/22/65, a photocopy of this letter was mailed to Mr. Clayton with the following notation:

It has been almost a month since we wrote you this letter: Would you kindly let us hear from you at once. WAB.

January 28, 1965

Mr. T. T. Clayton
P. O. Box 533
Warrenton, North Carolina

RE: VEP 4-15

Dear Mr. Clayton:

I acknowledge receipt of the financial reporting you sent us recently, and I am returning herewith your cancelled checks and bank statements for your files.

It appears that there is one check missing from your series - No. 0076 - and I would appreciate your sending me a carbon of this check, even if the original was voided.

We should have additional supporting evidences for the $181.68 in expenditures, which is evidenced by your check No. 0099 to Mr. G. M. Brown. The carbon voucher merely reads, "Gas, water, food."

I did not expect that your project would be doing much in the way of expenditures following my visit there in October, just before your books closed, and was surprised that you had used all of the grant with the exception of the $5.22 refund. Under the circumstances, we should be furnished with a complete progress report which describes not only what you did prior to my visit, but the general nature and results of your program for the remainder of the year.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:js
Encl.

Honor Roll

FIRST CLASS CITIZENS

of the _____

REGISTER TO VOTE

GET YOUR NAME ON HERE

Warren County Voter Registration Project
Mrs. Eva M. Clayton, Director
Post Office Box 533
Warrenton, North Carolina

Negroes in Warren County have suddenly broken the chains of political inactivity and thrown their hats into the political arena. For the first time since reconstruction, Negroes have offered themselves as candidates for elective offices from precinct constables to a seat in the North Carolina General Assembly. When the votes were counted after the May 30 Primary Election, Negro candidates had secured 4 positions as constables while other candidates for the Warren County Board of Education, County Commissioners, and General Assembly were defeated.

The efforts of the Warren County Voter Registration Project resulted in more than 800 names of Negro registrants to the registration books, during the three Saturday

registration period. Previous to this registration period, only 1379 Negroes were registered in the county with many of these names of residents who have moved out of the county or are deceased.

On May 30, nealy 1400 Negro voters cast their ballots for Negro attorney, T. T. Clayton, who was seeking a seat in the North Carolina General Assembly. This represents 64% of the potential Negro vote, despite efforts of the KKK and other individuals to intimidate Negro voters in a flury of activity in the week preceeding the primary.

The decision of Negro candidates to run for political offices in Warren County aroused a tremendous amount of enthusiasm among the Negroes in the county which has the largest non-white population of any of North Carolina's 100 counties. This made the task easier for the Voter Registration Project which had been organized earlier because of the need of stimulating the interest of the Negroes in active participation in the political activities of the county. The Voter Registration Project, with representatives from a number of civic, church, and community organizations, conducted a comprehensive program of voter education prior to the May registration period inorder to create a more intelligent approach to the use of the ballot in the democratic processes.

These activities included (1) workshops in churches where at least 20 such meeting were held throughout the county. Attendance at these workshops was as high as 75.

(2) Home workshops with smaller groups of unregistered persons were conducted, and (3) Canvassing of precincts where families and individuals were instructed in the vital and intelligent use of the ballot. The prime purpose of these activities was to create a sense of confidence in the minds of the unregistered person by giving them a real and personal reason for voting, and to show how, when, and where to register. In workshops and in homes, sample registration forms were given each person so that these people could actually go through the registration procedure. Rules and regulations were thoroughly explained.

The most valuable contacts were made in door-to-door canvassing of rural precincts. Volunteers would visit from 10-15 homes a day in precincts and answer questions and give instructions and assistance to as many members of the families that were home and leaving material on voter registration.

During the registration period beginning Saturday, May 2, a corp of workers were enlisted in each precinct. A checker was assigned to each registration office to assist persons desiring more information in the procedure of registration. These checkers met some difficulties; many were asked to leave the registration premises and stay at least 50 feet away from the polls. One checker was jailed because she questioned a registrar in his method of registering when she observed differences in his methods

for Negroes and whites. The checkers helped registrants with appeals if they were disqualified for insufficient reasons. In dddition to checkers, there were drivers in each precinct who took citizens to the registration offices and youth canvassers who reminded persons that this was a day for registration and distributed material on voter registration. Other youth carried signs in Warrenton, the county seat, such as, "Iam too young to register; what's your excuse?" In each precinct there were from 6-10 volunteer workers each of the three Saturdays of registration. Meals for volunteer workers were served and sent out from the Voter Registration Headquarters by the Mother's Club. Space for the project headquarters was provided by a Negro businessman.

Many Negro registrants were disqualified from registering for varied reasons including (1) failure to meet literacy requirements, (2) Not being able to read and write fast enough, (3) Not able to properly identify their precinct. As a result of this registration effort, a follow up program in literacy and citizenship education is planned for the summer to enable the citizens to read and write and understand the responsibilities of registering and voting.

Though Warren County's non-white population has declined slightly during recent decades, non-whites comprise 64.7% of the total population, and it likely in the foreseeable future, the majority of the population will remain

Census data indicates that there are slightly more than 7,000 Negroes over the age of 21. The percentage of registered voters has nearly doubled during the last 12 months and has now reached the 30% mark of eligible adults. Continued efforts in voter registration are aimed toward registering every qualified person.

Results of the May 30 primary show that Negroes were able to carry several of the 14 precincts where Negro registration now exceeds the white registration. In other precincts, white registration overshadows the Negro vote by tremendous margins. In some cases, white registration exceeds the eligible white voting population.

Increase awareness by the Negroes of the County of the vital significance of the ballot and continued focus and long range planning by the Voter Registration Project indicate that a new day is here in Warren County for the Negro citizens.

A GUIDE FOR VOLUNTEERS

IN THE

VOTER REGISTRATION DRIVE

I. WHAT DOES A TOWNSHIP, PRECINCT, OR COMMUNITY REGISTRATION WORKER DO?

1. You LOCATE the persons in your precinct who are NOT registered voters.

2. You, then, GET THEM TO REGISTER at the place of registration

II. INFORMATION AND MATERIAL IMPORTANT TO YOUR JOB:

1. Township or precinct Boundaries: You should know the actual boundaries of your township or precinct. Check outline map at the Registration Headquarters.

2. Registration Requirements: This information you should know. Always have this information with you while canvassing your area.

III. WHEN AND WHERE TO REGISTER: In order to properly inform the UNREGISTERED voter, you must know:

1. Where he may register during the registration period--the exact address

2. The days in the week he may register at that location

3. The hours he may register during each day

IV. TOWNSHIP OR PRECINCT LIST OF REGISTERED VOTERS. This information will be supplied to you from the registration headquarters.

V. METHODS OF PERSUADING PEOPLE TO REGISTER:

1. Door to door canvassing

2. Speaking to clubs, churches, and other organizations

3. Holding small workshops in homes

4. Serving on telephone committees

5. Getting volunteers to drive people to registration places, and people to baby-sit for mothers while registering

6. Distribute literature

VI. THEN, BE SURE THAT ALL REGISTERED VOTERS CAST A BALLOT IN THE ELECTION

TOWNSHIPS AND PRENCINCTS

	POPULATION WHITE	POPULATION NEGRO	NEGRO REGISTERED VOTERS
RIVER	189	629	88
ROANOKE	32	165	25
SIX OUND	337	660	83
NUTBUSH	260	1,665	32
SMITH CREEK	1,214	1,067	13
HAWTREE	795	~~1,067~~ 1,026	85
Warrenton	2,090	2,933	
East			243
West			209
Sandy Creek	478	963	149
SHOCCO	191	750	118
FORK	157	644	55
Fishing Creek	151	930	54
Judkins	445	894	85

(SAMPLE REGISTRATION FORM)

WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTION

Wiley G. Coleman, Chairman
WARRENTON, N. C.

Name In Full _____ ( ) Male: ( ) Female

Address _____

I was born on _____
Day Month Year

Are you a citizen of the United States: ( ) Yes; ( ) No;

Race: ( ) White; ( ) Colored; ( ) Indian

My voting precinct is _____

How long have you lived there? _____

My party preference: ( ) Republican; ( ) Democratic; ( ) Independent

READ THE FOLLOWING:

ARTICLE VI

Sec. 5. *Indivisible plan; legislative intent.* That this amendment to the Constitution is presented and adopted as one indivisible plan for the regulation of the suffrage, with the intent and purpose to so connect the different parts, and make them so dependent upon each other, that the whole shall stand or fall together.

A GUIDELINE
FOR A
TOWNSHIP CANVASS

I. TOWNSHIPS

1. All TOWNSHIPS should be broken down into small communities.

2. Each small community of from 10 to 20 homes, depending on proximity should be assigned to a captain to canvass and supervise.

3. NOTHING BEATS THE DOOR TO DOOR APPROACH.

II. DOOR TO DOOR CANVASS

1. Every home in the Township should be visited by a Registration Worker.

2. Every eligible voter--REGISTERED OR NONREGISTERED--should be contacted. Encourage the REGISTERED VOTER to VOTE in the coming PRIMARY ELECTION--MAY 30. Encourage the NON-REGISTERED person to become registered to vote in the MAY 30 PRIMARY ELECTION.

3. A list of all eligible should be made on the CANVAS SHEET provided by the VOTER REGISTRATION COMMITTEE. Notations should be made on this sheet to show if the person is registered, will register, needs transportation, etc. This canvass sheet should be returned to the VOTER REGISTRATION COMMITTEE inorder that permanent records can be made from this information. The Voter Registration Committee will cooperate with workers in all Townships in providing transportation to registration places and in meeting other problems that may arise.

4. The following check list is for volunteer workers in the Voter Registration Drive:

   (a) Be Friendly

   (b) Be Helpful

   (c) Be a good source of information

   (d) Be courteous and considerate

   (e) Be efficient. It's easy to spend a whole evening calling on two or three families, or you can see ten people in the same length of time.

VOUCHER

Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street, N. W., Room 206
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Organization *Warren County Voter Registration Project* Field Reporter _____

City *Warrenton* County *Warren* State *N. C.* Date _____

Amount of this expenditure $ _____

Specific item description:

_____

_____

_____

_____

_____

SECTIONS OF THE

CONSTITUTION OF NORTH CAROLINA

ARTICLE 1

Sec. 4. *That there is no right to secede.* That this State shall ever remain a member of the American Union; that the people thereof are a part of the American Nation; that there is no right on the part of the State to secede, and that all attempts, from whatever source or upon whatever pretext, to dissolve said Union or to sever said Nation, ought to be resisted with the whole power of the State.

Sec. 6. *Public debt/ bonds issued under Ordinance of Convention of 1868, '68-'69, '69-'70, declared unvalid; exception.* The State shall never assume or pay, or authorize the collection of any debt or obligation, express or implied, incurred in aid of insurrection or rebellion against the United States, or any claim for the loss or emancipation of any slave; nor shall the General Assembly assume or pay, or authorize the collection of any tax to pay, either directly or indirectly, expressed or implied, any debt or bond incurred or issued, by authority of the Convention of the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, nor any debt or bond incurred or issued by the Legislature of the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, either at its special session of the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, or at its regular sessions of the years one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight and one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, and one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine and one thousand eight hundred and seventy, except the bonds issued to fund the interest on the old debt of the State, unless the proposing to pay the same shall havefirst been submitted to the people and by them ratified by the vote of a majority of all the qualified voters of the State, at a regular election held for that purpose.

Sec. 24. *Militia and the right to bear arms.* A well regulated militia being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed; and, as standing armies in time of peace are dangerous to liberty, they ought not to be kept up, and the military should be kept under strict subordination to, and governed by, the civil power. Northing herein contained shall justify the practice of carrying concealed weapons, or prevent the Legislature from enacting penal statues against said practice.

Sec. 32. *Ex post facto laws.* Retrospective laws, punishing acts committed before the existence of such laws, and by them only declared criminal, are oppressive, unjust and incompatible with liberty; wherefore no ex post facto law ought to be made. No law taxing restrospectively sales, purchases, or other acts previously done, ought to be passed.

Sec. 35. *Courts shall be open.* All courts shall be open; and every person for an injury done him in his lands, goods, person, or reputation, shall have remedy by due course of law, and right and justice administered without sale, denial, or delay.

Sec. 38. *Other rights of the people.* This enumeration of rights shall not be construed to impair or deny others retained by the people; and all powers not herein delegated remain with the people.

(SAMPLE REGISTRATION FORM)

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VEP FIELD EXPENSE REPORT

Warren County

Field Reporter _____ Agency Voter Registration Project Period Ending _____ 19 __

DAY	CITY AND STATE	LODGING	TRANSPORTATION		AUTOMOBILE EXPENSES			MEALS	LOCAL Taxi & Carfare	OTHER		DAILY TOTAL
			Air, Rail etc.	Limo. Taxi, etc.	Mileage	Descript.	Amount			Itemize	Amt.	
Sun												
Mon												
Tues												
Wed												
Thur												
Fri												
Sat												

LEDGER SHEET

FOR

FINANCIAL REPORTING TO VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

(Use more than one if necessary)

AGENCY: *Warren County Voter Registration Project* FOR WEEK ENDING: _____

DATE	CHECK NO.	SPENT IN (CITY, COUNTY)	ADVER-TISING*	PRINT-ING*	SALARIES	RENT	SUPPLIES	TRAVEL & TRANSPORT**	TELEPHONE & TELEGRAPH	OTHER***	PETTY CASH****

EXPLANATIONS: _____

*Items in this column should be supported by sample copies or texts.
**Items in this column must be supported by VEP Field Expense Report Forms.
***Items in this column must be fully explained above.
****This column should be used for all cash expenditures as well as petty cash accounting and all entries must be supported by vouchers and receipts where cash is used in payment of purchases or services.

I hereby acknowledge that I have examined the above figures and attached vouchers and that they are a true and accurate accounting for our expenditures of VEP funds for this period.

SIGNATURE: _____

N. A. A. C. P.'s CRUSADE FOR VOTERS

.....a white southerner BARES HIS SOUL ON

THE BIRMINGHAM MURDERS

Open letter to:

.....NON-VOTING NEGROES

.....IDLE NEGROES BLESSED WITH

LEADERSHIP ABILITY WHO SHUN

ORGANIZED VOTER REGISTRATION

DRIVES

For further information, write:

NAACP VOTER REGISTRATION COMMITTEE
40½ NORTH SECOND STREET
RICHMOND 19, VIRGINIA
PHONE: MIlton 4-5678

THE ATLANTA CONSTITUTION, MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 1963

EUGENE PATTERSON

A FLOWER FOR THE GRAVES

A Negro mother wept in the street Sunday morning in front of a Baptist Church in Birmingham. In her hand she held a shoe, one shoe, from the foot of her dead child. We hold that shoe with her.

Every one of us in the white South holds that small shoe in his hand.

It is too late to blame the sick criminals who handled the dynamite. The FBI and the police can deal with that kind. The charge against them is simple. They killed four children.

Only we can trace the truth, Southerner--you and I. We broke those children's bodies.

We watched the stage set without staying it. We listened to the prologue unbestirred. We saw the curtain opening with disinterest. We have heard the play.

* * * * * * * * * * *

We--who go on electing politicians who heat the kettles of hate.

We--who raise no hand to silence the mean and little man who have their nigger jokes.

We--who stand aside in imagined rectitude and let the mad dogs that run in every society slide their leashes from our hand, and spring.

We--the heirs of a proud South, who protest its worth and demand its recognition--we are the ones who have ducked the difficult, skirted the uncomfortable, caviled at t h e challenge, resented the necessary, rationalized the unacceptable, and created the day surely when these children would die.

This is no time to load our anguish onto the murderous scapegoat who set the cap in dynamite of our own manufacture.

He didn't know any better.

Somewhere in the dim a n d fevered recess of an evil mind he feels right now that he has been a hero. He is only guilty of murder He thinks he has pleased us.

* * * * * * * * * * *

We of the white South w h o know better are the ones who must take a harsher judgment.

We, who know better, created a climate for child-killing by those who don't.

We hold that shoe in our hand, Southerner. Let us see it straight, and look at the blood on it. Let us compare it with the unworthy speeches of Southern public men who have traduced the Negro; match it with the spectacle of shrilling children whose parents and teachers turned them free to spit epithets at small huddles of Negro school children for a week before this Sunday in Birmingham; hold up the shoe and look beyond it to the state house in Montgomery where the official attitudes of Alabama have been spoken in heat and anger.

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Now You Have NO EXCUSE !

You've always meant to register but somehow you never found out just where, when or how. So there is just one thing to do . . .

Contact the officers of your local union. They can tell you

WHERE

WHEN

HOW

REGISTER TODAY
SO YOU CAN VOTE FOR A
BETTER TOMORROW!
YOUR
UNION
OFFICER

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VOTE COUNTS!

Running for the State Legislature, a candidate in Connecticut won his primary contest by exactly one vote, 609-608. Six weeks later, in the general election, the same candidate again won by just one vote, 4164-4163.

ONE VOTE COUNTS!

Yes . . . one vote counts,

If you doubt it, if you're one of those who says, "Why should I bother to vote; my vote doesn't mean a thing" . . . you're dead wrong.

Here's proof of just how important one vote—**your vote**—can be: In 1962, 42 contests for Senator, Congressman and Governor were won by **less than** 52 percent of the total vote.

In Minnesota, 1.3 million citizens voted in the gubernatorial race. The winner was liberal Karl Rolvaag. He defeated an ultra-conservative opponent . . . by only 91 votes.

In Minnesota, too, progressive Alec Olson got 50.1 percent of the vote to win a seat in the House of Representatives.

In Ohio, Bob Secrest was elected to the House over right-wing incumbent Tom Moorehead with 51.1 percent of the vote.

In Pennsylvania, Rep. George Rhodes, a liberal, retained his House seat with 51.3 percent, and Joseph S. Clark, one of the nation's outstanding liberals, was returned to the Senate by the same slight margin.

every vote counts

In Connecticut, Abraham Ribicoff entered the Senate on the strength of 51.3 percent of the total vote.

In Alabama, moderate Sen. Lister Hill beat off the challenge of an extreme right-winger with 50.8 percent of the vote.

In North Dakota, George McGovern defeated a reactionary incumbent for the Senate. His winning percentage: 50.1.

In Indiana, Birch Bayh took the Senate seat of three-termer Homer Capehart, an ultra-conservative, with 50.3 percent of the vote.

In Vermont, Philip Hoff became the first Democratic governor in 108 years with 50.1 percent of the vote.

In Massachusetts, 50.1 percent was also Endicott Peabody's winning margin for governor.

And don't forget, in 1960, John F. Kennedy won the presidency over Richard Nixon by only 112,000 votes, **less than one vote per precinct nationwide.**

The winners mentioned in this leaflet all share two things in common: they won contests in which every vote counted, and their victories were important to the welfare of working people.

The governors have provided enlightened leadership in their states. The Senators and Representatives have supported liberal programs in Congress.

These are but a few examples. In many other cases, pro-worker candidates won by razor-thin margins. If a few of their supporters had sat out the election on the false grounds that "my vote doesn't count," the results would have been different, sadly so.

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1 vote counts

your vote counts

register and Vote

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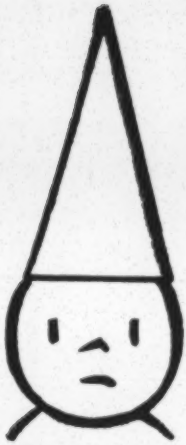
THE ABC'S OF CITIZENSHIP

Did you know
that the word
"IDIOT"
comes from a Greek
word meaning
"THE MAN WHO
DIDN'T VOTE"?



IDIOT or NOT

THE MAN WHO DOESN'T VOTE WHEN HE HAS THE CHANCE MAY BE ACTING AS:

(1) A TOOL of the WORST MACHINE BOSSES

(2) A VICTIM of PRESSURE GROUPS

(3) AN ALLY of CROOKS

(4) A GENERAL INFLUENCE for BAD GOVERNMENT

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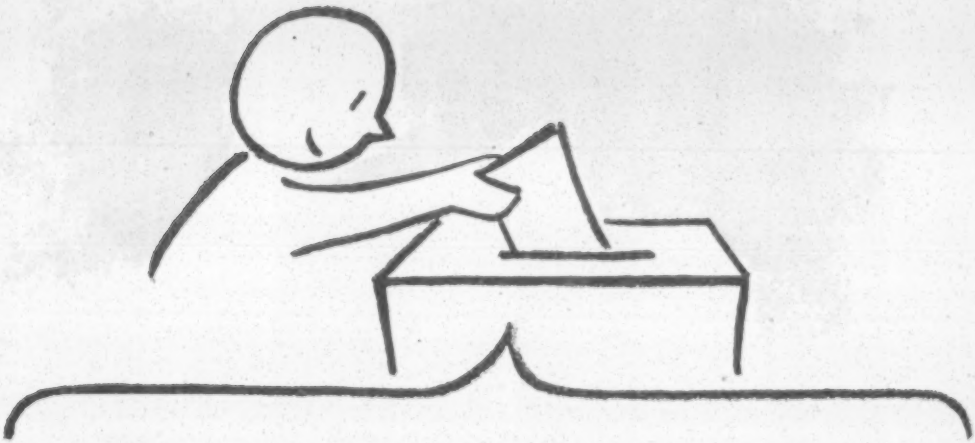
HOWEVER, IN YOUR CASE,

WHEN YOU VOTE



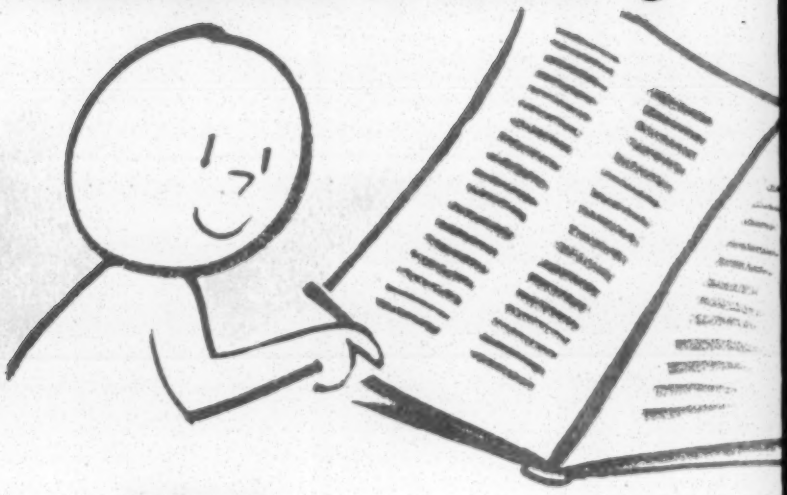
- ☒ you help create **LEADERS** (instead of "bosses")
- ☒ you help **POLITICIANS** reflect the will of the **VOTERS**
- ☒ you become a **REAL** American citizen
- ☒ and you are an influence for **GOOD GOVERNMENT**

OF COURSE,

TO VOTE AT ALL--

YOU'VE GOT TO

REGISTER!



TO FIND OUT - **HOW**
- **WHEN**
- **WHERE** to REGISTER--

( ) NAACP MEMBERS

call (a) Local officials

(b) Newspaper

(c) Courthouse (ask for office handling registration)

to register you may be required to...

(1) IDENTIFY YOURSELF

under OATH

(a) Name
(b) Address
(c) Place of Birth

(2) GIVE YOUR AGE

(3) ESTABLISH YOUR RESIDENCE

also--

about ⅓ of the states require a reading test.

ONCE YOU'VE REGISTERED

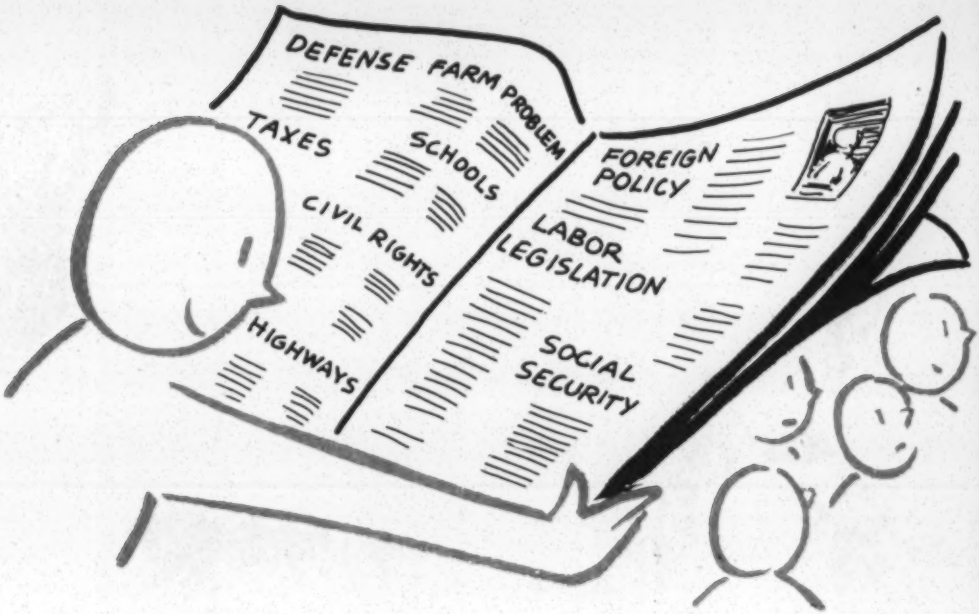
(1) find out how long it is good for--
- PERMANENT?
- ONE YR. ONLY?
- or UNTIL YOU STOP VOTING?

(2) if you MOVE.. you must register again

(3) if a woman MARRIES, she must RE-REGISTER

THEN -- BEFORE YOU VOTE

STUDY THE ISSUES



Remember -- every public issue is a political issue. The GOVERNMENT is your servant -- to carry out your wishes -- and local issues are just as important for you as state or national ones -- perhaps more important.

--AND THE CANDIDATES

Don't be misled by campaign "promises". See how elected officials have voted. Look behind party labels. Think before you vote--

AND REMEMBER-- Contrary to some opinion-- the average professional politician (i.e. elected legislator or official) is a **DECENT, HONEST** person who wants to do what's **BEST** and generally will **REFLECT** the attitudes, morals and wishes of the **PEOPLE** who **ELECTED** him.

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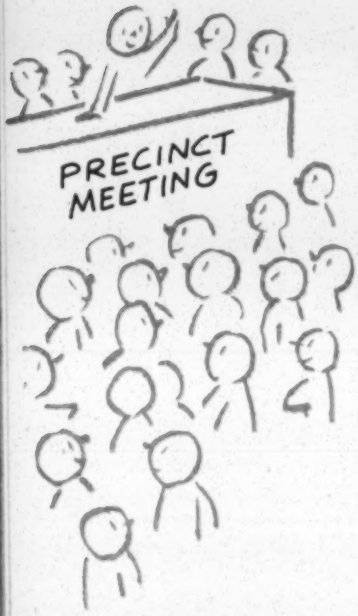
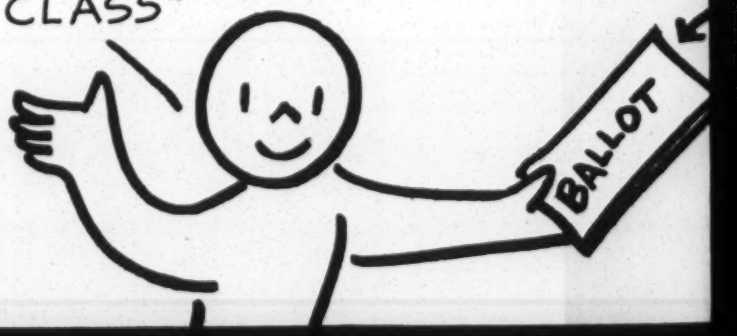


YOU --attend these important meetings to help screen and choose candidates

THEN VOTE and choose candidates sometimes more impor than the election its

Your vote makes you a member of America's <u>only</u> "RULING CLASS"



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TO CHOOSE--

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elf

and finally
VOTE--

BALLOT

ECTION
DAY

LOCAL OFFICES
such as...
- ☒ MAYOR
- ☒ COUNCIL
- ☒ SCHOOL BOARD

etc.

STATE OFFICES
such as
- ☒ GOVERNOR
- ☒ SENATOR
- ☒ REPRESENTATIVES

etc.

NATIONAL OFFICES
- ☒ PRES. & VICE PRES.
- ☒ SENATOR
- ☒ CONGRESSMAN

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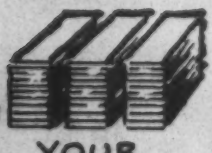
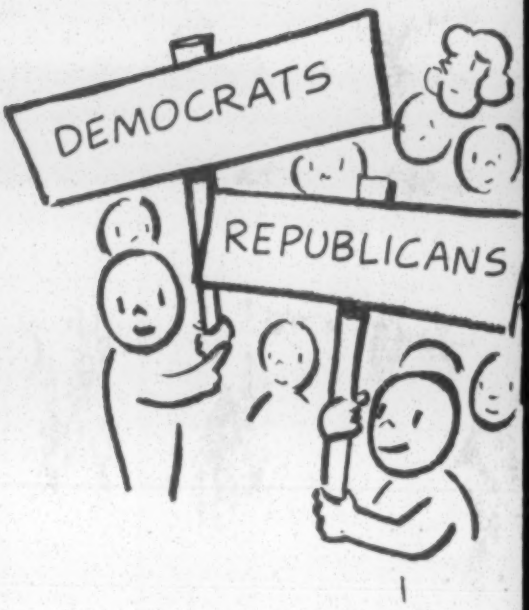


+ YOUR PRECINCT (300 to 1,000 VOTERS) × about 165,000 PRECINCTS in the U.S. = GOVERNMENT OF, BY and FOR THE PEOPLE



As a citizen
you can

GET MORE DONE
and HAVE MORE FUN
if you WORK
WITH OTHERS

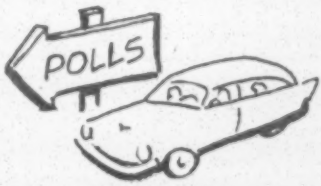
I You can take part in YOUR PARTY

PURPOSE:
(1) to define issues
(2) to select candidates

(a) Find out about candidates and issues

(b) Get others to register

- call on them
- take them to registration point



(c) Get others to vote

- drive them to polls
- baby sit while they vote

(d) Work at party headquarters

- as receptionist, clerk or phone operator

(e) Distribute literature

- booklets
- posters
- flyers

(f) Attend party meetings..

join precinct clubs, young people, women's groups, etc.

2 You can work with fellow-members of CLUBS

and other organizations
to which you belong

P.T.A.
CIVIC
VETERANS
LODGES
GRANGE
LEAGUE of WOMEN VOTERS
ETC.

on a non-partisan basis

to (1) get EVERY member to VOTE

(2) get CANDIDATES to explain ISSUES

(3) organize CIVIC AFFAIRS committees to promote better citizenship

3 You can get to know your ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES

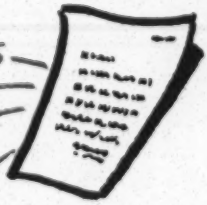
SENATOR CONGRESSMAN MAYOR COUNCILMAN GOVERNOR etc.

(1) Make a LIST of them - local, state and national

(2) ASK THEM what *they* *think* - or ask them for more information on issues that interest you

(3) TELL THEM what *you* think -- IT'S EASY --

be serious
honest
courteous
praise as well as criticise



Just sit down and WRITE THEM A NOTE

no form letters or postcards

Simply address

Senator -------, U.S. Senate, Washington 25, D.C.
(or) Congressman----, U.S. House of Representatives Washington 25, D.C.
(or) Governor ------, State House, Capital City
(or) Senator --------, " " " "
(or) Representative--, " "

REMEMBER--

POLITICS is the BUSINESS of running **YOUR** government

It's concerned with--

- ☒ **YOUR** human DIGNITY
- ☒ **YOUR** personal FREEDOM
- ☒ **YOUR** general WELFARE

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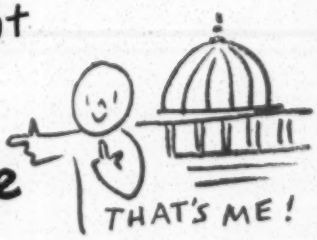


perish from the earth

SO WHAT ?

SOOO...

1. Be sure to <u>register</u>

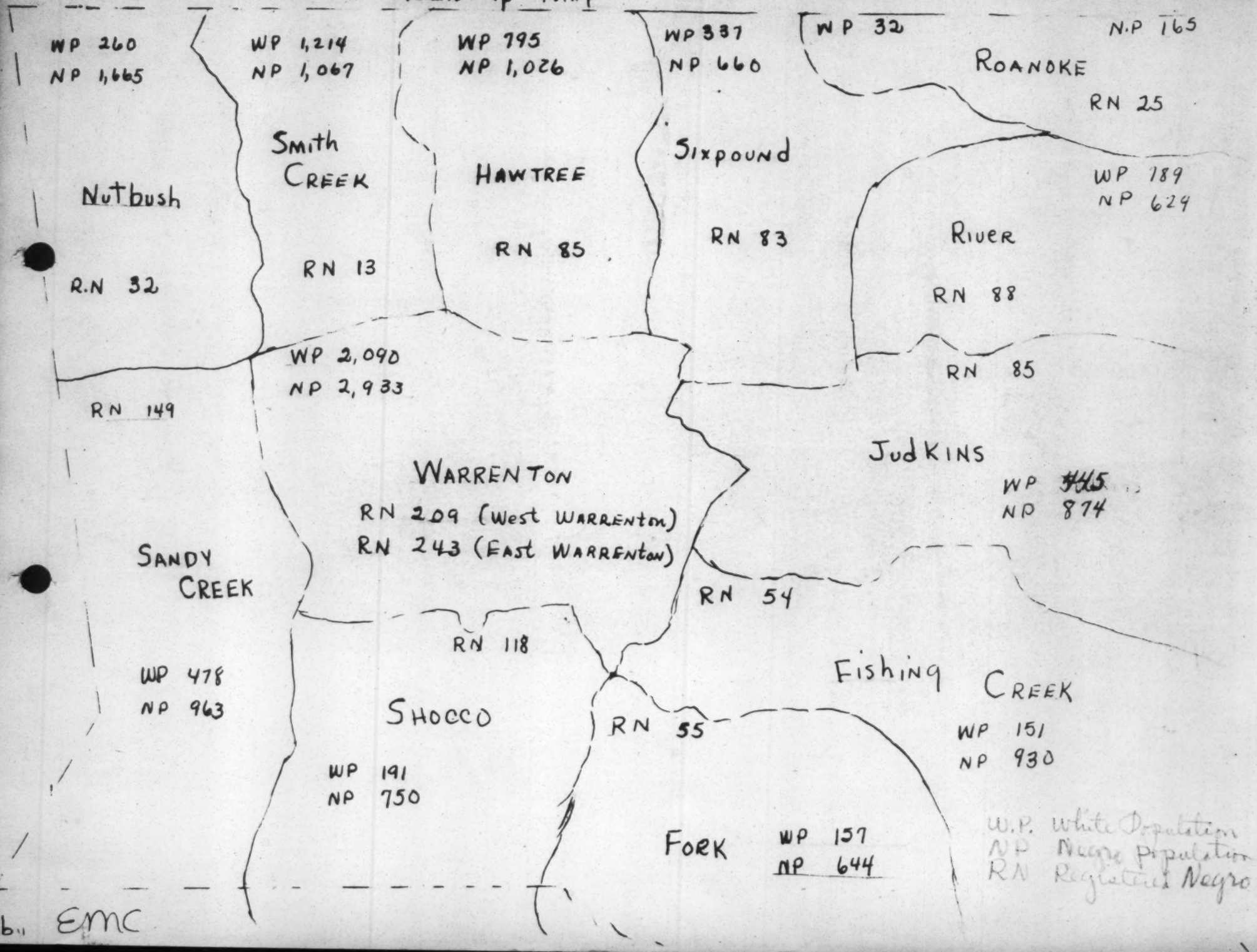
2. Find out { when / where / how } to **<u>Vote</u>**

3. Decide { whom / what } to **<u>Vote</u>** <u>for</u>

4. Urge <u>others</u> to do likewise

and.. 5 **VOTE..**

Warren County
Township Map



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I AM A
REGISTERED VOTER
And Will VOTE May 30

N. A. A. C. P.'s CRUSADE FOR VOTERS

.....a white southerner BARES HIS SOUL ON

THE BIRMINGHAM MURDERS

Open letter to:

.....NON-VOTING NEGROES

.....IDLE NEGROES BLESSED WITH

LEADERSHIP ABILITY WHO SHUN

ORGANIZED VOTER REGISTRATION

DRIVES

For further information, write:

NAACP VOTER REGISTRATION COMMITTEE
40½ NORTH SECOND STREET
RICHMOND 19, VIRGINIA
PHONE: MIlton 4-5678

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EUGENE PATTERSON

A FLOWER FOR THE GRAVES

A Negro mother wept in the street Sunday morning in front of a Baptist Church in Birmingham. In her hand she held a shoe, one shoe, from the foot of her dead child. We hold that shoe with her.

Every one of us in the white South holds that small shoe in his hand.

It is too late to blame the sick criminals who handled the dynamite. The FBI and the police can deal with that kind. The charge against them is simple. They killed four children.

Only we can trace the truth, Southerner--you and I. We broke those children's bodies.

We watched the stage set without staying it. We listened to the prologue unbestirred. We saw the curtain opening with disinterest. We have heard the play.

* * * * * * * * * * * *

We--who go on electing politicians who heat the kettles of hate.

We--who raise no hand to silence the mean and little man who have their nigger jokes.

We--who stand aside in imagined rectitude and let the mad dogs that run in every society slide their leashes from our hand, and spring.

We--the heirs of a proud South, who protest its worth and demand its recognition--we are the ones who have ducked the difficult, skirted the uncomfortable, caviled at t h e challenge, resented the necessary, rationalized the unacceptable, and created the day surely when these children would die.

This is no time to load our anguish onto the murderous scapegoat who set the cap in dynamite of our own manufacture.

He didn't know any better.

Somewhere in the dim a n d fevered recess of an evil mind he feels right now that he has been a hero. He is only guilty of murder He thinks he has pleased us.

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LET'S MARCH

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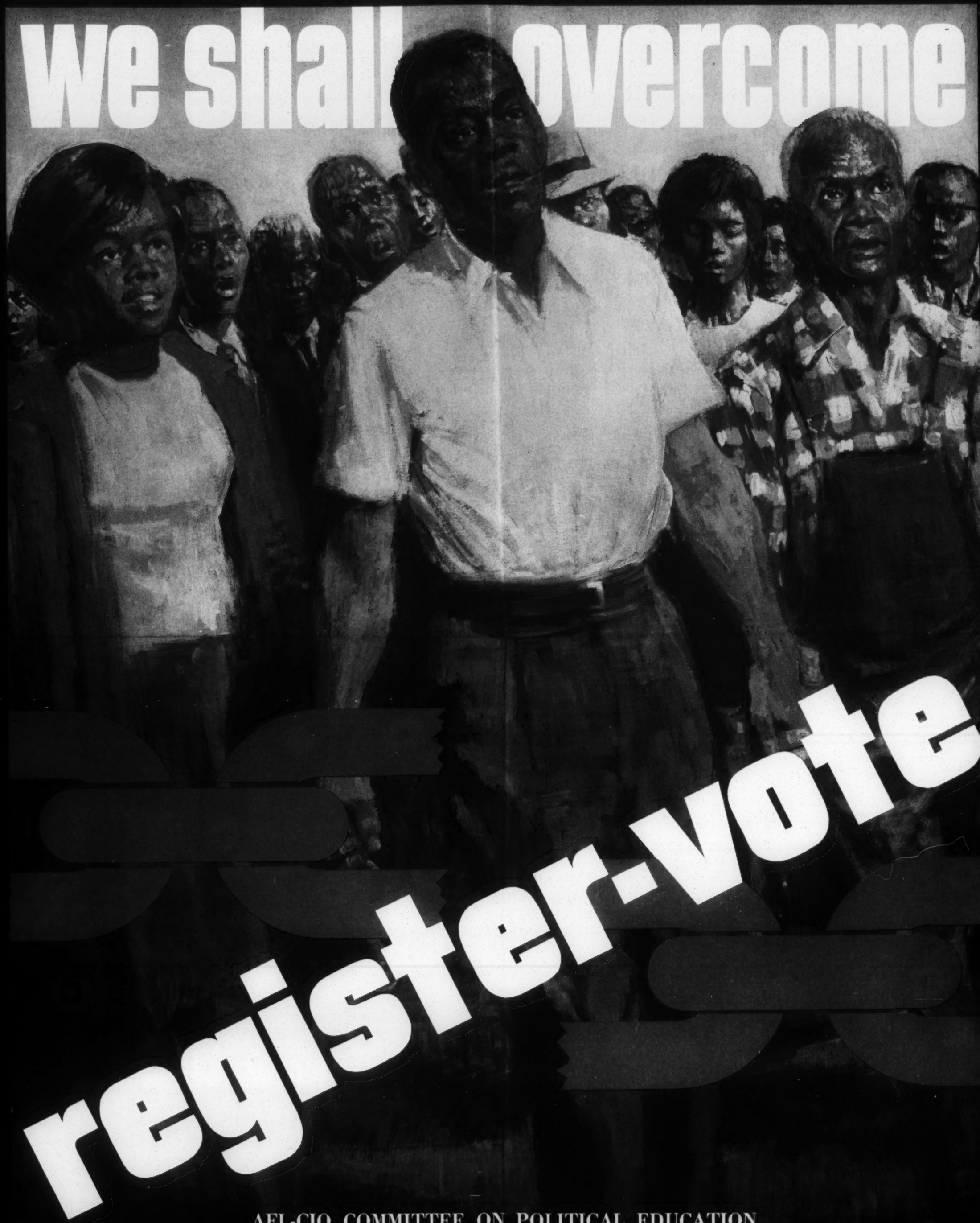

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REGISTER TO VOTE!

the rights you win will be your own

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Remember your vote is your voice in your future

REGISTER NOW... VOTE ELECTION DAY!

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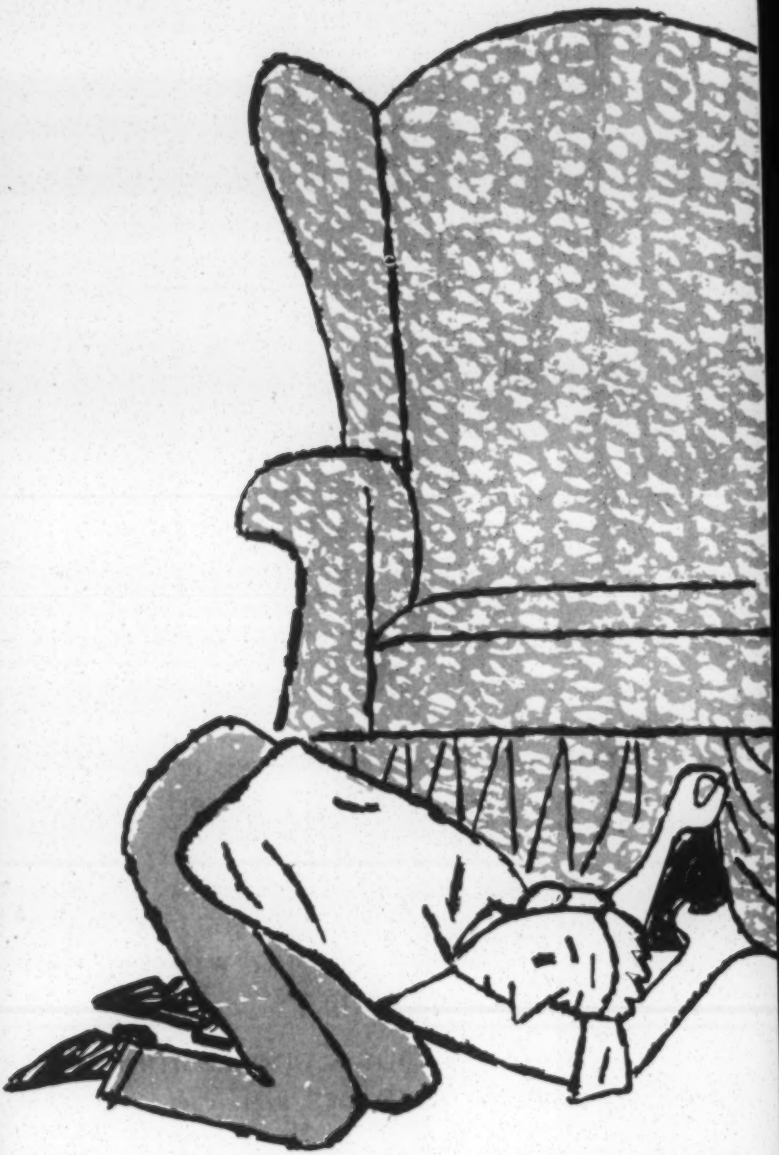

looking for your voice?

you won't find it there

The voice you're looking for . . . that is, the voice you use to make yourself heard in national, state or local affairs, isn't lost under the chair. You'll find it down at the county courthouse, or city hall, or wherever you must register to vote in your community.

You see, **your vote is your voice.** If you're not registered, you **can't vote,** and you will have no voice in the important elections coming up. As soon as you do register, though, you **will** have a voice in deciding:

- ★ Who your Congressman and Senators will be
- ★ Who your governor will be
- ★ Who your city and state officials will be

You'll have a voice in your own future because

YOUR VOTE IS YOUR VOICE IN YOUR FUTURE

IF you want better laws passed for all our people

IF you want better schools and a brighter future for your children

IF you want more job security

IF you want better housing

IF you want more security for the elderly

You don't get them by sitting on your hands on Election Day.

You get them by making sure that you, your family and your friends vote for good candidates who will support the programs you support, programs that will help **you.**

AND YOU CAN'T VOTE UNLESS YOU ARE REGISTERED!

Check with your Local Union COPE or with your Local Union officials to find out where, when and how to register.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE

20 West 40th Street • New York 18, N. Y.

NAACP'S CRUSADE FOR VOTERS

Volunteer

Name Mr. Charles Cheek

Organization naacp

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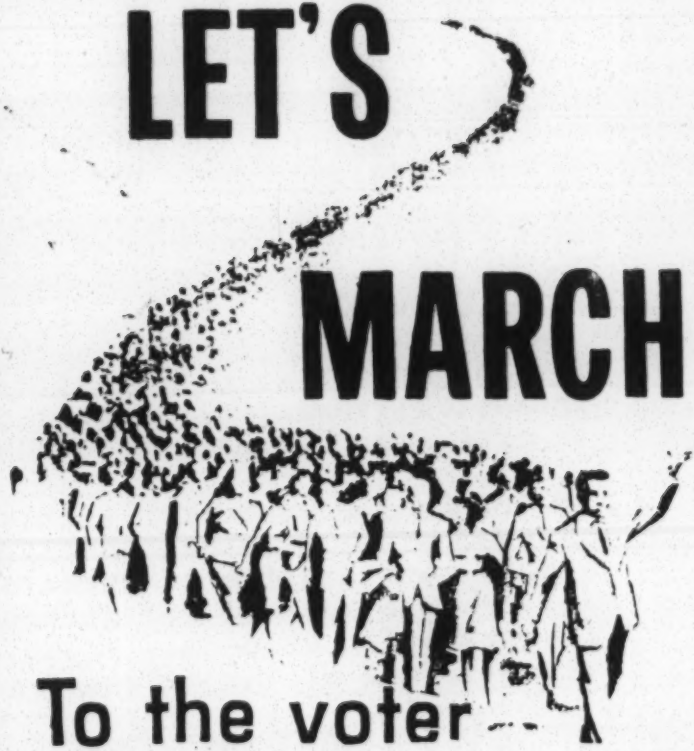

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You can complain all day and weep all night, but public officials will not pay much attention to you. Local, state and federal governments listen to *voters.*

In the South as a whole, only 26 out of every 100 Negro citizens of voting age are actually registered.

On the other hand, 60 out of every 100 white citizens of voting age are registered.

In some localities and counties the picture is worse and in a few it is better, but the average of the whole South shows Negro registration far behind.

Get your name on the voting list!

If your state has a poll tax, pay it and then register.

The Federal Civil Rights statutes protect your right to register and vote.

Find out the requirements in your state. Go to the registration place at the usual time and apply to register. Know when the primary and general elections are held.

If you have difficulty and you think you are being treated illegally, report the details to the NAACP in your town, or write to:

For Southern States:

MR. J. M. BROOKS
NAACP REGISTRATION DIRECTOR
404½ North Second Street
Richmond, Virginia

For West Coast Region:

MRS. TAREA H. PITTMAN
NAACP WEST COAST REGIONAL OFFICE
690 Market Street
San Francisco, California

For All Other Regions:

MR. HENRY LEE MOON
20 West 40th Street
New York 18, N. Y.

264 Feb., 1962

How to Become a Voter

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR
THE ADVANCEMENT OF
COLORED PEOPLE
20 West 40th Street, New York 18, N. Y.

The right to vote is the No. 1 right.

To secure this right for Negro Americans in whatever state they may live is the No. 1 project of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

To this end, the NAACP has started a nationwide drive to get more Negroes on the voters list, particularly in the southern states where some people try to keep Negroes from voting.

As a result, colored citizens in that region have no representation in government, no voice in making or carrying out the laws under which they must live, and no say as to how their tax money is spent.

This taxation without representation can be ended only by your action. It is easy if you *really* want to take part in elections.

You have to *want* to vote and be ready and willing to make every effort to get on the voters list.

Your own registration should be *your* No. 1 project.

In order to become a first-class voting American you should:

1. Know your rights under the United States Constitution and the Civil Rights Acts of 1957 and 1960.
2. Know what you have to do to register in your state.
   a. Basic personal information required—age, address, occupation, how long you have lived in the state;
   b. Literacy and interpretation tests;
   c. Time and place for payment of poll tax (where required); for registration; and for primary and general elections.
3. Prepare to take the tests.
   a. Study the required questions; know the U.S. and your state Constitutions; and learn the basic facts about the government of your city, county and state.
4. Encourage your friends, relatives and others to register.
   a. Discuss registration and voting at meetings you attend—church, club, fraternal, labor union, professional society, or business league.
   b. Talk to your neighbors about the need to register.
5. Share your knowledge with others.
6. Refuse to be discouraged or turned down by local election officials.

You cannot vote unless you are registered. Your first step is to get your name on the list of voters. For information on HOW and WHERE to get your name on the voters list in your community ask:

1. Your local NAACP branch
2. Your minister
3. Heads of your fraternal, social, trade union and civic organizations

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REMEMBER: *It's easy to become a voter.*

Beyond the Ballot Box...

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR
THE ADVANCEMENT OF
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20 West 40th Street, New York 18, N. Y.

The free ballot box is the symbol of democracy. It provides a key to a society of freedom, justice and security. At the ballot box, as before the bar of justice, every citizen is equal. Beyond the ballot box lies the Promised Land with opportunities for individual and group advancement.

Voting...

Makes it possible for you to help choose the local, state and federal officials who govern you —

Gives you a voice in determining:

- the kind of school YOUR children attend
- the kind of treatment YOU receive at the hands of the police
- the kind of justice YOU get in courts
- the kind of welfare service YOU can get for YOUR FAMILY in time of need
- the kind of hospital treatment YOU get when you are sick
- the kind of job YOUR CHILDREN can get with your city, state or country
- how much taxes YOU have to pay and how your tax money is spent

Helps you on the road to the Promised Land where there will be a better life for YOU and YOUR FAMILY.

Above all, voting means that you are a free citizen with the same rights as other citizens. After you have registered and cast your vote for the persons you want elected to office, you know you are an American doing what other Americans do. You can be proud of yourself and of your country. It is not only your right, but your duty as an American citizen to vote.

OUR BATTLE CRY IN '64 . . .

"VOTE THE RASCALS OUT"

This cry will alert a l l NAACP branches to campaign actively to defeat any United States Senator or Congressman who obstructed, watered down or voted against a meaningful civil rights bill.

This is in accordance with the NAACP Resolution on Civil Rights No.1, adopted by the National Board of Directors, September 9, 1963. The Board's action confirms the action taken at the 54th Annual NAACP Convention held in Chicago July 1963.

"VOTE THE RASCALS OUT"

National Association for the
Advancement of Colored People
Voter Registration Committee
301 East Clay Street
Richmond, Virginia, 23219

Additional copies may be
secured from the above address

IN BLUNT FRANK TERMS

There cannot be any compromise or allegiance to party loyalty to any incumbent senator or congressman who is against a strong civil rights bill.

Professional campaign workers may tell you, "He didn't vote for the civil rights bill, but (there is always a but) give him time, he will have a change of heart."

RIDICULOUS -If the following events (which happened in 1963) didn't change his views on the need for a strong civil rights bill, he won't change. VOTE THE RASCAL OUT!!

NA.A.C.P.'s Crusade For Voters

HIGHLIGHTS OF MURDERS IN 1963

...WILLIAM E. MOORE, white male, killed for walking peacefully through Alabama in protest against discrimination.

...MEDGAR EVERS, Negro male, NAACP Field Secretary, assassinated in Mississippi because he believed in real American democracy.

...NEGRO CHILDREN killed and maimed in Birmingham because they went to church to attend Sunday School. This church was bombed by segregationists intent upon keeping Negroes in their place.

...PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY, white male, assassinated in Texas because he like Medgar Evers, believed in real American democracy.

...AND SOME CONGRESSMEN AND SENATORS HAVE THE NERVE TO SAY, "AMERICA DOES NOT NEED A STRONG CIVIL RIGHTS BILL."

ATTENTION NAACP MEMBERS (400,000 Strong) AND ALLIES

Start today carrying the NAACP's political action program for 1964 to the lay leaders and grass root people of your community. In every community voters should be heard saying, "PARTY LINES BE HANGED IN '64, we are going to vote against any congressman or senator who obstructed the passage of a strong civil rights bill."

This may mean that in some areas we will have to hold our noses and vote for a rank segregationist. It is better to elect to office a rank segregationist with no committee powers than to keep in office a 95% segregationist incumbent with great committee power and seniority. IF WE CAN VOTE A RANK SEGREGATIONIST IN, WE CAN VOTE HIM OUT if he does not change. Politicians understand this kind of language.

In your community, let our battle cry be heard

"VOTE

THE

RASCALS

OUT"

ATTENTION ALL BRANCHES

In 1964, all branches will organize their communities to give grass root voting support to:

1. The Civil Rights Resolution passed by our National Board September 9, 1963.
2. The speeches of Roy Wilkins, Executive Secretary and John A. Morsell, Assistant to the Executive Secretary; i.e., Roy Wilkins' "Fight Segregation with Ballots" Orangeburg, S. C. November 13, 1963: "If you want to get rid of Strom Thurmond, (U. S. Senator from South Carolina) and other segregationists you have to do it at the ballot box not at the 'cussin' box," the NAACP leader said. When the enthusiastic audience booed mention of the Senator's anti-civil rights record, Mr. Wilkins reminded the crowd that "voting is better than booing."

   John Morsell's "After the March On Washington - What Now?" Fredericksburg, Virginia October 11, 1963: "The Negro Americans and allies are looking for a strong civil rights bill, and that is the basis upon which they will make their reckoning when election day 1964 comes around."
3. Memorandum September 24, 1963: to NAACP branches RE: Action Required on Civil Rights Bill, from Gloster B. Current, Director of Branches.
4. Mrs. Medgar Evers at Kennedy Memorial in Chicago, JET, December 12, 1963: "Declaring, 'I know exactly how Mrs. Jacqueline Kennedy, the First Lady of our country, feels,'

Mrs. Myrlie Evers compared the death of her husband to the death of President Kennedy because 'they were similar in so many ways.'

"Mrs. Evers told the crowd, 'my heart goes out to Mrs. Kennedy. I know exactly what she is going through...I know what it is to hold a dead husband in your arms...' With her voice almost breaking, Mrs. Evers cried, 'she heard the shot and held her husband's blood-stained head in her arms...I heard the shot that killed my husband and held his head, too...'

Mrs. Evers said the President's death showed 'that no one is safe in this country and those people who keep quiet about civil rights and refuse to speak out are not safe either. I can't help feeling,' she added, 'that if the politicians --maybe I should not name them because we all know who they are--but if they had not been allowed to go as far as they did this murder of the President would not have happened.'

"She further stated, 'The only difference was that one was black and one was white...Both dedicated to helping all mankind. Medgar died for helping his people and the President died for helping his country.'"

Read this entire brochure aloud in ALL private and public meetings.

NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM REGISTRAR TO COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

Fill in two copies of this form. Give one to the Registrar or person that refused to register you and keep one.

Filed with (Name of registrar) _____

I applied to you for registration as a voter on, Date _____ AND WAS DENIED REGISTRATION BY YOU. I appeal to the County Board of Elections.

My name _____ Age _____

Address _____ City _____

The reason for this appeal is that I am fully qualified to register and vote. I have been denied the right.

This notice is filed with you at _____ o'clock, Date _____

Sign your name _____

Modified Voting Registration Order Affects Warren County

A modified order concerning voting registration in Halifax County issued by Federal Judge John D. Larkins affects Warren County as well as Halifax County.

Following a hearing Wednesday concerned with modification of a cut-off period for registrants, Judge Larkin asked defense attorney Frank B. Banzet to inform Warren County of the Halifax situation to "prevent a similar situation there."

T. T. Clayton, Negro attorney, Samuel Mitchell and William Kuntsler as attorneys for the Negro plaintiffs said he had come prepared to institute action on behalf of Warren voters if Judge Larkins had not issued his warning.

Warren County election officials have denied that there has been any plan to delay or obstruct the registration of Negro voters.

Judge Larkin ruled Wednesday that with one exception Halifax County election officials have complied with a court order to speed up voter registration procedures.

The exception said the judge, resulted from a misinterpretation of his order that registrars take no longer than five minutes to test a single voter for literacy.

In Warren County registrars were told by election officials to use a 10-minute period.

Judge Larkin issued the order last Friday after Negroes in Halifax County had complained that registrars were engaged in slow-down tactics in the registration of Negroes.

"It was not intended, of course, that the application should be cut off in the middle of a sentence," Judge Larkin said at a hearing Wednesday. "The spirit of the order is what I expected to be carried out."

The hearing was called by the judge to determine whether his order restraining Halifax officials from delaying registrations of voters should be made permanent.

Larkins said he was "convinced that efforts had been made by respondents to comply" with the U. S. Eastern District Court order.

He ordered that his restraining order be dissolved as of Wednesday, and said he would enter a modified order Thursday morning clarifying the five-minute time limit.

PROVISIONS OF ORDER

The restraining order had instructed election officials to:

—Process three applicants for registration at the same time when lines formed.

—Give immediate notice of registration places—other than registrars' homes—where citizens could register conveniently.

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Order

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—Appoint assistant registrars in precincts where activity was heavy.

Later the judge amended the order to provide a longer period of registration in the county and to replace a registrar who had resigned in Enfield Township.

Rom Parker, attorney for the Halifax County elections board, said at Wednesday's hearing that State election laws do not permit extra days of registration or " assistant registrars" who can give the oath to applicants. Judge Larkins said he found this to be true when he talked to James Bullock, assistant State attorney general.

But Parker said the Halifax elections board had changed registration places to the polling places, instead of registrars' homes, and said special clerical workers have been named and are "standing by" if they are needed in certain precincts.

A PROPOSAL

FOR

"REGISTRATION-DRIVE"

FROM

THE REGISTRATION COMMITTEE OF WARREN COUNTY's

N.A.A.C.P. CHAPTER

VEP 4-15

WARREN COUNTY VOTER - REGISTRATION DRIVE

Warren County is in the north eastern part of North Carolina along the Virginia State Line. It has an area of 443 square miles or 283,550 acres.

According to the 1960 census the population numbers 19,652 or 44.36 persons a squaremile, all classes as rural. Except for towns all under 2,000 population, the population is fairly well distributed over the county.

Agriculture is the County's main source of income.

Warren County has the highest non-white population of any of the North Carolina Counties. Non-white residents comprise 64.7% of the total population. Although this precentage has decreased slightly during the past 60 years, it is likely that in the foreseeable future, the majority of the population will remain non-white.

Table 1 shows the population by race and age. This table shows that 5, 624 Negroes are of age to be registered.

The education median level for adult s in general is very low - 6.2 for Negroes.

The average family income for non-white is 1,308 and white is 3934 . Although there is evidence that both groups have low family income, the difference between the white and Negroes have further served to keep the Negro in "his place" and to vote would be out "of his place."

Table No. 1

POPULATION BY AGE AND RACE

1960

	1960	
	WHITE	NON_WHITE
Under 5 years	562	1,737
5 - 14 years	1,351	3,927
15 - 19 years	530	1,425
20 - 24 years	291	594
25 - 49 years	2,153	2,806
50 - 64 years	1,215	1,277
65 years and Over	855	947
SUB - TOTAL	6,939	12,652
TOTAL	19,652	

We have mentioned the above data relative to Warren County in several areas because they are germane in the peoples' attitude toward participation in Politics and government. Therefore, the right to vote is not really coveted by Negroes of the County in general.

There are many reasons why the Negro does not vote in Warren County, among many given here are a few:

(1) Not Interested
(2) Don't understand the importance of this Right to Vote.
(3) Voting is for the "whiteman"
(4) Fearful of theri economical status

(5) Haven't been given a good reason for registering and voting.

There are only 1,379 (-2) registered Negroes in Warren County as to today. However, there were only 1,150 registered until last January wherein there was some conserted efforts to put new persons on the book before a State referedum. From the population date given, it shows that 5,624 negroes are of age to register. This fact would indicate there is a great need to get more of the eligibles registered. The dimensions of this lack of registered person include among others a great amount of deep seated fear and lack of motivations combined with the "whites" constantly discouraging them from voting.

Most voter registration projects have been here before centered in the churches and community centers for the most part, While these institutions are very useful for such purpose, the fact is that a great precentage of those persons intended to be attracted to such workshops are never reached. Reasons for this among others are : (1) Persons who generally attend church and community center work shops are found to be those who have already registered and are active voters. (2) It has been proven that persons who are not otherwise concerned about attending church and community centers for civic purposes will not generally do so, even for voter registration workshops.

This proposal is designed to reach every eligible unregistered negro within the County of Warren. Even further, this proposal is designed to create the lasting confidence tht is needed within the minds of those unregistered persons. Upon the completion of one or two hour workshops, each unregistered person sitting in such workshop will be equipped to master the reading and writing qualifications entitling such person to become registered.

This registration drive will include the following activities:

I A. A three-day training session for volunteer-workers which include the following:

1. Developing Techniques and ways of selling the idea of Voter - Registration

2. Coordinating the efforts of all workers for a County-wide program

3. Wrting and composing, collecting materials and literature useful for registration drive

II Workshops in Churches and homes of the different communities within the townships of the County.

a. Neighborhood workshops will be stressed in all areas of the County in Warren using community leaders.

b. Workshops for larger groups will be held in churches of each township.

III Institute a cooperative effort among all civic, social and educational organizations.

1. Workers will speak at these different organizations about registration, ie, P.T.A. and Masons.

2. Organizations will be encouraged to have 100% Registration record among members - Recognition will be given to such group.

IV Door - to - Door Canvass

A. Adult workers will be used to contact their neighbors and friends about registering.

B. The Youth that have been active in demonstration will be used also.

V Picketing - N. A. A. C. P. Youth

VI Distributing Literature throughout the County

VII Social Events - Only registered voters or those who have attended a workshop and promise to register.

Because of the law, educational level and the deep seated fear found among Negroes in Warren County, the Registration drive has to be an educational process which will relieve this fear.

This entire Registration effort will have to depend entirely on the work and cooperation of volunteers. These volunteers would be community leaders from different sections of the County; teaching and helping these people to overcome their difficulties and fear about registering. These volunteers would be given a small stipend of four ($4.00) dollars a day and travelling expenses .

Resource information and methods will be provided from agencies. The Warren County Registration Drive is to add 2,500 New Registered Negroes.

This proposal is sponsered by the Voter-Registration Committee of Warren County N. A. A. C. P. Chapter.

Budget

Personnel		
15 Volunteers	- Adults	$1,500.00
Organization		
Administration and Clerical (Rent of Office and Office Supplies)		700.00
Transportation	(.7 per mile)	200.00

Organization	100.00
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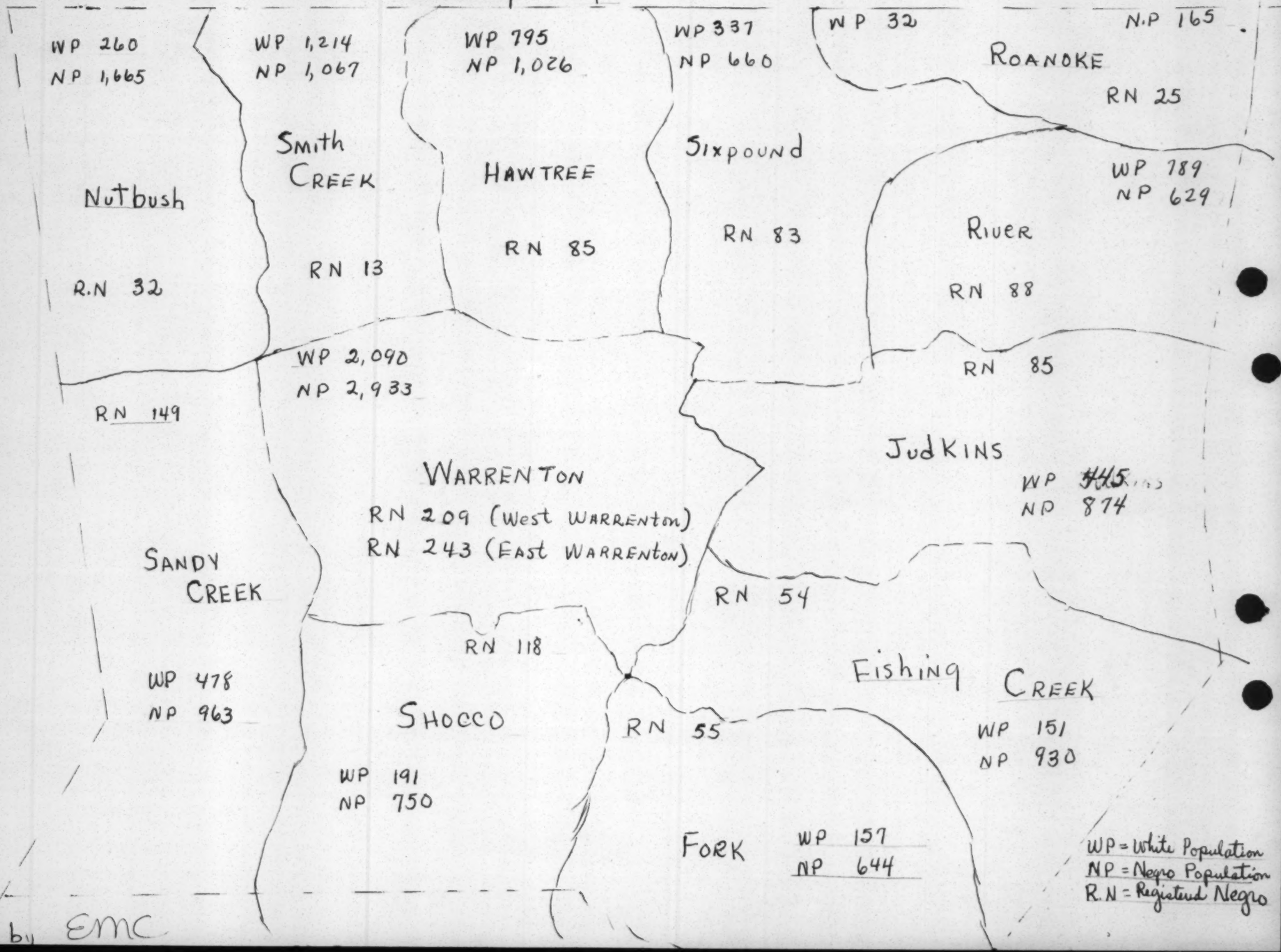
Supplies (Books, pamplets, printing, papers= Posters and Advertizing and etc.)	800.00
	3,300.00

Warren County
Township Map



WP = White Population
NP = Negro Population
R.N = Registered Negro

by EMC

20,000 Negro Votes Sought in Campaign

BY OLIVER WILLIAMS

A campaign to register as many as 20,000 Negroes across the State during May has been organized by five civil rights organizations.

In some counties, Negroes will form lines at polling places on three registration days prior to the May 30 Democratic primary, according to the Rev. Charles W. Ward of Raleigh, chairman of the statewide effort.

The most intense campaigns, he said, will be in the First, Second and Third congressional districts where civil rights leaders hope to qualify upwards of 12,000 Negro voters. These districts are in the eastern counties where the State's largest non-white population is concentrated.

The May registration drive is the most intense part of a voter registration campaign that has been going on in the State since last December, the Rev. Mr. Ward said. He estimates that 20,000 Negroes have been added to voting records since December, mostly in cities and counties that have year-round registration. Some 3,000 of these have been in Raleigh, he said.

In counties that limit registration to certain days and at the homes of registrars during a registration period, he said buses and car pools will be utilized in order to qualify a maximum of registrants. Most

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VOTERS—Seek 20,000

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counties that do not have open registration have scheduled on three Saturdays, the 2nd, 9th and 16th of May.

Fears Slowdown

Ward, pastor of Raleigh's Negro First Baptist Church, said civil rights leaders are anticipating no difficulties from registrars. But in some places, he said, there is a fear that registration wil be slowed in a deliberate effort to impede Negroes.

"We know we are not going to have the cooperation everywhere that we've had in Wake County," he said. "For instance, we've been told by some registrars that it will take 15 to 30 minutes to register some applicants."

"It ought not to take more than five minutes," Ward said.

Negroes who plan to show up at polling places have been thoroughly schooled in registration and voting practices, Ward said. In most counties, prospective voters have attended special classes to receive instruction and preparation for registration requirements.

Plan Action

Ward said the campaign has been mapped by the leading civil rights organizations in the State. It has been spearheaded mostly by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. Registration quotas have been given every county in the State, with a total goal of 49,275 set for the entire campaign, he said.

Negro leaders are expecting the greatest success in the northeastern counties. "Our best organizational efforts have been there," Ward said, "and the potential is greatest since so few Negroes are registered in most of these counties."

The largest quotas have been set for the Second and Fourth Congressional Districts. Ward said there will be an effort to register 13,000 in the 11 counties of these two districts. The First District campaign, he said, has not been as thoroughly organized, and the goal there has been set at 4,000.

Pleased at Portion

Ward said civil rights leaders will be pleased if as many as two-thirds of the prospective voters are registered. He said failure to get this many will not stem from apathy but a lack of cooperation from registrars.

The registration and voter drive, he said, is "an attempt by Negroes to become full citizens." He denied that it is an effort to form a bloc of Negro voters or to elect Negro candidates.

However, he said in some areas, principally the Second Congressional District, the campaign has been coordinated with attempts to gain for Negroes some of the elective officers.

Negro Candidates

Negroes are seeking seats in the State House of Representatives from Warren and Halifax County, and a Negro has filed for the State Senate seat in the Eighth Senatorial District. A write-in campaign for the Second Congressional District seat of Rep. L. H. Fountain is planned by Negroes during the November General Election.

In Halifax County, Negroes have filed for 11 elective offices ranging from township constable to the county board of commissioners.

In Warren County, Mrs. Eva Clayton said an intense registration drive has been mapped to elect her husband, Attorney T. T. Clayton to the State House of Representatives. Clayton, who practiced law with the late James Gilliland, a white attorney, has filed in a race against former State Sen. Frank B. Banzet and Warrenton insuranceman W. R. Drake.

"Last election, some 3,700 votes in the county," Mrs. Clayton said. "With this index, it's conceivable that the possibilities of electing a Negro are great."

More Activity

"But everything," she said, "is based on the thesis that the whites stand still and we go. Of course, we know there'll be more white activity now that a Negro has filed."

White registration in Warren is 6,123. Negro registration in the predominately non-white county is 1,379. Mrs. Clayton says Negroes hope to raise the non-white registration to at least 3,000.

Ward, noting that Negroes have filed for county offices throughout the northeast, said "No one will be too greatly disappointed if they are not elected."

"We know that even with intense registration and voting we do not have the preponderance to put many Negroes in office."

However, he said the possibility of electing Negroes to offices in several counties is encouraging.

April 7, 1964

MEMORANDUM

To: Wiley A. Branton

From: Randolph T. Blackwell

Re: FIELD TRIP TO WILLIAMSTON, NORTH CAROLINA

On March 27, 1964, I visited Williamston, North Carolina, and talked with Mr. Golden Frinks about his plans for registration in eastern North Carolina.

On the evening of my arrival, Mr. Frinks was quite busy with demonstrations. Some forty (40) individuals were down from the East, mostly Amherst College divinity students.

In the midst of planning to house the arrivals, and keep a record of those that had been jailed, and those that would likely be jailed, I was able to get Mr. Frinks out for an hour of conversation.

Mr. Frinks pointed out that his hope included work in eleven eastern North Carolina counties. The counties in question are Northampton, Gates, Hertford, Bertie, Pasquotank, Perquimans, Washington, Terrell, Beaufort, Chowan, and Martin. It was explained by Mr. Frinks that there is some kind of registration activity going on in every county. In the counties of Chowan and Martin, canvassers have contacted more than 400 individuals each.

I was very favorably impressed with what appeared to be Mr. Frinks' skill in handling a situation with a lot of unrelated problems. It seemed that everybody was relying on him and that they had great respect for his decisions. Mr. Frinks was not able to spell out any well-organized program. I am not even sure that all of these areas are organized. The very best that he was able to do was name a few individuals.

I asked Mr. Frinks in what way he felt that VEP could be of help to him in getting the registration work that he hoped to do done. He indicated that the people that he is working with are among the poorest in the state and that he would be able to make good use of any money that is made available to him - giving token contributions to the people that canvass. He also suggested that he needs money for transportation and secretarial help.

Field Trips
RTB

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Research

The counties, excepting Edgecombe, that Mr. Frinks has expressed an interest, are counties that are not being seriously considered by any other group, not even the NAACP statewide program. All of them fall within what is known as North Carolina's "Black Belt." Seven of the counties have at least 50% Negro population.

Mr. Frinks promised that he would place before VEP a plan and a budget. If this plan and budget is realistic when received, I favor favorable action regarding same.

Randolph T. Blackwell
Field Director

RTB:js

I did not state in this report that I talked with several people from around the general area. They all testified to the fact that there is registration activity of varying degree.

Edenton Slates Service For Integration Heroes

Gour. + Guide, 4-18-64

EDENTON, N. C.—(UPI)—Services are scheduled here April 26 to pay tribute to Negro students who successfully integrated local schools.

The Edenton integraiton movement's board of directors recently approved the honor service, and said the Rev. Wyatt Walker, executive assistant to Dr. Martin Luther King, Southern Christian Leadership Conference head, would speak at the event.

MOVEMENT leaders also approved plans to seek an injunction aimed at preventing the Edenton School Board from assigning Negroes to a Negro high school and white students to a predominantly white high school here.

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Edenton Gets First Negro Policeman

Gaur + Guide
4-18-47

EDENTON, N. C. — Willie Andrew Satterfield, 32, is Edenton's first Negro policeman.

Father of four, Mr. Satterfield was chosen for the police force after negotiations for such an appointment had ranged over eight months.

The appointment was made by a commission which includes the police chief and the mayor.

The chief, James Griffin, said that the new officer will assume normal police duties and will not be assigned to any regular area.

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Telephone 524-1378

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Martin Luther King Jr., *President* Ralph Abernathy, *Treasurer* Wyatt Tee Walker, *Executive Assistant*

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April 23, 1964

Mr. Wiley A. Branton
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Wiley:

SCLC has been working in eleven (11) counties in Eastern North Carolina for the past two years. Golden Frinks, our Field Secretary in Edenton, has forwarded us the enclosed report of their work and intentions for this area.

Throughout their direct action campaign they stressed the ballot, and on many occassions used their demonstrators to canvas in the area. They have a card file of some 5,000 prospective voters.

The registration books in that area are only open for ten days prior to each election. This means only twice a year usually, or twenty days out of a year. The next registration period begins on May 2nd and ends May 16th. We are anxious to take advantage of this period and the energy which the movement has stirred up. We would appreciate a VEP grant for these eleven counties. At present the direct action movement is not active and all efforts have been turned to voter registration. The drive is already underway, and staff is working. It would be very good if VEP could make the grant retro-active, beginning April 1st. The following budget will give them adequate financial support for this effort.

Staff for 6 weeks ($20.00 per week x 8 staff persons)	$ 960.00
Transportation for 11 counties ($100.00 per county)	1.100.00
Materials and publicity	500.00
TOTAL	$2,560.00

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We will appreciate your consideration of this request. This area of North Carolina is their black belt. Negroes are living here in significant percentages. They are treated much more oppressively than in other areas of North Carolina, and an increase in voting strength is their only hope for systematic reform of the conditions under which they exist.

Sincerely yours,

Andy

Andrew J. Young
Program Director

AJY/vmb

Edenton_____Students and Ministers in a "Get out and Vote Campaign", contacted more than 5,000 people in eleven (11) counties informing them that the registration books would be opened May 2 through the 16 for registering. A goal of 8,000 new voters are set by SCLC in eleven counties in Northeastern North Carolina.

A SCLC Task Force of twenty (20) people are canvassing throughout Northeastern North Carolina in this drive aided by Teachers College in Elizabeth City.

Robersonville_____Voter Registration drive kick off. 300 people turned out to hear Golden Frinks speak on the importance of the ballot. A goal of 1,500 new voters set for Martin County, present registered 1,253.

Williamston_____Bernard Lee calls for action in Voter Registration in Northeastern North Carolina on Sunday, March 12, at Green Memorial Church. Says Reverend Lee, "Hold your dollar and put your vote in the ballot box and your Freedom is assured", continued Reverend Lee, ' you can't stay here, you are doing the work of God'.

Elizabeth City_____Voter drive gets on the way. House to House people tour conducted by church and affilliates of SCLC. Goal of 700 set, present registered 1,894, SCLC task force assisting.

Counties Task Force working in; Present registered and quotas as follows:

COUNTY	APPROXIMATE NO. OF NEGRO VOTERS	QUOTA FOR NEW VOTERS
Beaufort	713	500
Camden	187	350
Chowan	550	500
Currituck	177	200
Dare	75	75
Gates	351	500
Hertford	537	500
Hyde	173	250
Martin	1,253	500
Pasquotank	1,894	500
Perquimas	610	250
Pitt	2,520	1,000
Tyrrell	298	200
Washington	600	250
TOTAL	9,938	5,575

April 29, 1964

The Rev. Andrew Young
Southern Christian Leadership
Conference
334 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

RE: VEP 4-16

Dear Andy:

I phoned you yesterday and learned that you were out of town, and conveyed to Edwina Smith the fact that VEP has approved a grant in the amount of $1,500 for a three-week program in certain eastern North Carolina counties.

I note that you mention a program for eleven counties, but you have fourteen counties listed, and you should inform us as to the exact counties in which SCLC will be working.

We cannot make your grant retroactive to April 1 as it would violate our Internal Revenue regulations, since you had no request pending for this area at that time. We have made it effective as of April 23, which was the date of your request and the date which it was hand delivered to VEP. This accounts for the $1,500. No portion of this grant may be used to pay for expenses or services which had accrued prior to April 23, 1964.

I am sure that Barbara Whitaker will write you separately regarding the special precautions which must be taken by VEP personnel to prevent any involvement with political campaigns, (even where Negro candidates are involved), so as to protect our tax-exempt status.

Our check for $1,500 is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:js

April 30, 1964

Mr. Golden Frinks
122 West Peterson Street
Edenton, North Carolina

RE: VEP 4-16

Dear Mr. Frinks:

We are sending you, under separate cover, the forms to be used in statistical reporting to this office. We will expect reports to be completed on Saturday of each week, and to reach our office no later than Tuesday of the following week.

We know that the announced candidacies of several Negroes in that area will be a motivating force for Negro registration, but we think it is important to caution you that the VEP program must remain strictly non-partisan,-even in the case of a Negro candidate. You will have to take special precautions to insure that no valid charge could be made with reference to a violation of our tax-exempt status for having participated in partisan politics.

At the conclusion of your program, we expect a report on each of the counties in which you are working. A suggested outline is enclosed. If there are any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to communicate with us.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Barbara I. Whitaker
Research Assistant

BIW:js
Encl: 1
cc: The Rev. Andrew Young

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

JUN 2 - 1964

VOTER REGISTRATION

Progress Report

CITY Edenton, N.C.

COUNTY Chowan STATE N.C.

DATES April 23 TO May 23, 1964

Stastical Summary;

No. persons registered ~~625 Negroes - 3295 white~~ 39

No. persons applying 40 Negroes

No. persons contacted 536

Total attendance at V.R. meetings 100

No. Volunteer Workers None

No. Paid Workers [redacted] 18

No. Working hours per week 4hrs per day - 24hrs per week (each) Some worked more

Description of Voter Registration Program:

Plan of Organization: Organized by wards, Precincts and sections - Captains over each ward etc - Canvassers - Co chairmen over each area - General Chairman over Entire Project

Methods Used to Contact people to Register:

Door To Door

Discussion of Problems faced: (leadership, obstacles at Registar's office etc.)

There is a problem of leadership - ministers give very little cooperation. Another problem is an Educational one. Negroes need to attend "Citizenship Schools" to erase some fears etc.

Plans for Dealing with Problems:

An intensified Educational Program - for 3 months - We can do this by setting up Schools - Print literature

New Insights in Voter Registration: (Methods, Motivation, Slogans Gimmicks etc.)

Sponsoring Organization Chowan County Crusade For Voters Contact person Rev. F.H. LaGarde

ADRESS 118 West Albemarle Street PHONE Edenton, N.C. 482-4103

Submitted by: F.H. LaGarde

Let's discuss 4/2/64

BW
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VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: Perquimans County Crusade for Voters

Period covered by this report: From April 23 to May 23

Person reporting (Rev.) F. L. Andrews

211 Hyde Park St., Hertford (Perquimans) N.C
Street Address City County State

Date submitted: May 29, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Perquimans County - Every Precinct ward, and Section.
Ward, Beat, etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 270

Number instructed at home 70

Number instructed at clinics 115

Number instructed other places 30 a. Specify places

Citizenship School or Meetings, First Baptist Church, Masonic Hall.

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 40

Number successfully registered by this project this week 41

Number denied registration in this project this week 12

a. Reason for denial Not able to read in order to be registered

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate 8

a. Reason for refusing to participate Unconcerned

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 55

Number of workers in the campaign 9

Remarks The Crusade on the whole of Considers it being successful. Rev. LaGarde helped me To organize my County. He and I plus 2 more workers covered The County.

4/16

JUN 2 - 1964

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: Chowan County Crusade For Voters

Period covered by this report: From April 23 to May 23, 1964

Person reporting F.H. LaGarde

118 West Albemarle Street, Edenton, North Carolina
Street Address City County State

Date submitted: May 29, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Chowan County - Every Precinct - ward and Section - See a Voter Registration Progress Report for details
Ward, Beat, etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 536

Number instructed at home 55

Number instructed at clinics 24 Citizenship School

Number instructed other places _____ a. Specify places _____

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 40

Number successfully registered by this project this week 39

Number denied registration in this project this week 1

a. Reason for denial "Didn't read" well enough - This matter is under investigation

Number contacted by other means [redacted]

a. Specify means Call ask if registered

Number refusing to participate 300+

a. Reason for refusing to participate Fear of losing Jobs "Brainwashed" - didn't have time - Books closed when got off work

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 39

Number of workers in the campaign 12

Remarks We were well organized into wards etc - but many people did not go to register because of reasons stated above. What we need in Chowan County is an intensified effort to educate them to the benefits of voting & what it means.

Total registered:

2578

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: Bertie County, Bertie Improvement Society, Voter Regis. Drive

Period covered by this report: From 4-24 to 5-23

Person reporting SCLC TASK FORCE + STATE TEACHERS COLLEGE + VOLUNTEERS

Street Address City County State

Date submitted:

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: COUNTY WIDE

County wide

Ward, Beat, etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

MT. OLIVE BAPTIST - ST. ELMO BAPTIST - CHURCHES

Number applying for registration as a result of this program ~~this week~~

Number successfully registered by this project ~~this week~~

Number denied registration in this project ~~this week~~

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 236

Number of workers in the campaign

Remarks

Last Save SCLC

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: MARTIN

Period covered by this report: From 4-23 to 5-24

Person reporting WILLIAMSTON UNIT SCLC

Street Address City County State

Date submitted:

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: COUNTY WIDE

County wide

Ward, Beat, etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass

Number instructed at home 28

Number instructed at clinics 17

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

GREENS MEMORIAL CHURCH

Number applying for registration as a result of this program [redacted]

Number successfully registered by this project [redacted]

Number denied registration in this project [redacted] 50

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 107

Number of workers in the campaign

Remarks

Last Date SCLC

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: Northampton County

Period covered by this report: From 4-24 to 5-23

Person reporting SCLC Task Force State Teachers College and Volunteers

Street Address City County State

Date submitted:

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: COUNTY WIDE

County Wide

Ward, Beat, etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program [redacted]

Number successfully registered by this project [redacted]

Number denied registration in this project [redacted]

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 950

Number of workers in the campaign

Remarks

Task Force SCLC

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: Currituck

Period covered by this report: From 4-24 to 5-23

Person reporting SCLC TASK FORCE STATE TEACHERS COLLEGE AND VOLUNTEERS

Street Address City County State

Date submitted:

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: County wide

County wide

Ward, Beat, etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program [redacted]

Number successfully registered by this project [redacted]

Number denied registration in this project [redacted]

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 60

Number of workers in the campaign

Remarks

Task Force SCLC

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: GATES

Period covered by this report: From 4-24 to 5-23

Person reporting SCLC TASK FORCE, STATE TEACHERS COLLEGE and VOLUNTEERS

Street Address City County State

Date submitted:

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: County wide

County Wide

Ward, Beat, etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program [redacted]

Number successfully registered by this project [redacted]

Number denied registration in this project [redacted]

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 51

Number of workers in the campaign

Remarks

Task Force SCLC

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: Edenton Movement CHOWAN

Period covered by this report: From 4-24 to 5-23

Person reporting Edenton Movement.

Street Address City County State

Date submitted:

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: COUNT WIDE

County wide

Ward, Beat, etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program [redacted]

Number successfully registered by this project [redacted]

Number denied registration in this project [redacted]

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 40

Number of workers in the campaign

Remarks

Last Issue SCLC

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: TYRRELL

Period covered by this report: From 4-24 to 5-23

Person reporting SCLC TASK FORCE + STATE TEACHERS COLLEGE + Volunteers

Street Address City County State

Date submitted:

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: COUNTY WIDE

County Wide

Ward, Beat, etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program [redacted]

Number successfully registered by this project [redacted]

Number denied registration in this project [redacted]

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 70

Number of workers in the campaign

Remarks

Sarah Lowe SCLC

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: WASHINGTON

Period covered by this report: From 4-24 to 5-23

Person reporting SCLC TASK FORCE + STATE TEACHERS COLLEGE + VOLUNTEERS

Street Address City County State

Date submitted:

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: COUNTY WIDE

County wide

Ward, Beat, etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program [redacted]

Number successfully registered by this project [redacted]

Number denied registration in this project [redacted]

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 81

Number of workers in the campaign

Remarks

Todd Lowe SCLC

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: PITT

Period covered by this report: From 4-24 to 5-23

Person reporting SCLC TASK FORCE STATE TEACHERS COLLEGE And VOLUNTEERS

Street Address City County State

Date submitted:

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: COUNTY WIDE

County Wide

Ward, Beat, etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST

Number applying for registration as a result of this program [redacted]

Number successfully registered by this project ~~this week~~

Number denied registration in this project ~~this week~~ 30

a. Reason for denial Reading

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 170

Number of workers in the campaign

Remarks

Task Force SCLC

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: PASQUOTANK

Period covered by this report: From 4-24 to 5-23

Person reporting SCLC TASK FORCE STATE TEACHERS COLLEGE and VOLUNTEERS

Street Address City County State

Date submitted:

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: COUNTY WIDE

County Wide

Ward, Beat, etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

AMERICAN LEGION HUT

Number applying for registration as a result of this program [redacted]

Number successfully registered by this project [redacted]

Number denied registration in this project [redacted] 18

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 77

Number of workers in the campaign

Remarks

Task Force SCLC

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: HERTFORD

Period covered by this report: From 4-24 to 5-23

Person reporting SCLC TASK FORCE STATE TEACHERS COLLEGE and VOLUNTEERS

Street Address City County State

Date submitted:

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: COUNTY WIDE

County Wide

Ward, Beat, etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program [redacted] 732

Number successfully registered by this project [redacted] 698

Number denied registration in this project [redacted] 34

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 698

Number of workers in the campaign

Remarks

Last Save SCLC

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: PERQUIMANS

Period covered by this report: From 4-23 to 5-23

Person reporting SCLC TASK FORCE STATE TEACHERS COLLEGE and VOLUNTEERS

Street Address City County State

Date submitted:

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: COUNTY WIDE

County wide

Ward, Beat, etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program [redacted]

Number successfully registered by this project [redacted]

Number denied registration in this project [redacted]

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 38

Number of workers in the campaign

Remarks

Task Force SCLC

334 Auburn Ave., N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303
Telephone 524-1378

Southern Christian Leadership Conference

Martin Luther King Jr., *President* Ralph Abernathy, *Treasurer* Wyatt Tee Walker, *Executive Assistant*

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June 23, 1964

JUN 25 1964

Mrs. Barbara Whitaker
Research Assistant
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Barbara:

Please find enclosed the report for Eastern North Carolina. Golden has not had the opportunity to do a narrative report as yet, but plans to as soon as possible.

Now it seems that I only owe you a report for Atlanta which I am trying to get to you by the end of the week. If there are any other reports due you that you have not received, please let me know.

Sincerely yours,

Edwina

Edwina Smith

Enc:

cc 4-16

Rec'd 6/25/64

TASK FORCE

SCLC TASK FORCE VOTER REGISTRATION TEAM WORKED IN GROUPS OF FIVES (5) IN DENSE POPULATED COUNTIES IN NORTH EASTERN, NORTH CAROLINA.

SEP 4-14

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Beginning a Voter Registration Campaign through Voter Education__ An outline for Eastern North Carolina and guidline for Task Force working without organized local established leadership and results that can be received in lending direct aid without conflict. However, local conditions may make changes from the outline necessary, but the more completely you can carry out the program as outlined here, the more sure you can be of a successful campaign.

However, there is one condition that is absolutely necessary for success: at least one person take personal, direct responsibility for seeing to it that the program is carried step by step.

Step 1. Decide to have a Voter Registration Campaign.

Your Voter Registration Campaign will not just happen by itself. If you do nothing more than think, "Well, yes, I guess it's a good idea; let's do it," nothing will happen. If there is to be an effective campaign some one or more persons must decide: I personally will see to it that the campaign is carried out. The person who takes charge must tell himself that he will put a great deal of effort into the campaign. He must be dtermined to make the campaign work despite all barriers.

Step 2. Selling voter registration.

You cannot carry out a community-wide campaign by yourself, no matter how much energy you put into it. If your program is to be successful, you must win support for it. Thus, the second step you must take after deciding to conduct a campaign is to convince the key people in your community of the importance of the voter registration campaign.

This step should be carried out on time. Contact the three, four, or five most active members of a county. Get them together and explain a need for a county wide VR campaign. We used a pilot county to test our VR outline and this is what the Task Force founded out__ Note:

Currituck County located in North Eastern North Carolina__ County Seat Currituck. Population 6,601. This first senatorial district county is considered to be very poor in good farming land. Negroes are now beginning to take a more active part in civic affairs. Of the voting population of 3,000, Negroes comprise only 177__ on April 29, 1964 a quota for new voters wast set at 200. For May, 1964 the figure was 237 an increase of 60 new voters.

There was however the task of getting the once registered voters to register and/or check to see if their names had been removed from the books for any reason. In many cases there had been names taken of the books. One of the reasons, lack of voting over a period of time, etc.

No Negroes hold any public jobs other than public school teaching and general labor chores; this marks the second year that SCLC has aided Currituck County Negroes in an effort to add new voters to the registration books of that county.

Method used in our SCLC campaign for new voters in Currituck County; Door-to-Door-Know-the-Negroes drive, which was under the leadership of Miss Ruby Simons and Co-chaired by Mr. Steve Mayo of State College, Elizabeth City, North Carolina, and fifteen (15) students both from the college and high school. The sparsely populated county presented some what of a problem, since to get all of the team located, and to pick them up after their evening of canvassing made it very necessary to add more cars, thus adding to the over all expense of the effort.

Another very important point came up that was worth very close watching__ the SCLC team found out very early in the voter campaign__a plan of action requires constant change in a very small county__the very fact of the matter is field contact-people doing day work on a farm cannot be over looked for from these people will come your new voters, therefore, a return trip becomes a must, since they are unable to register during the regular hours the registras are sitting and must be taken to the home of the registrars.

Another very important factor also, is that when the pastors of churches live out of the county, it's a good idea to first contact them since they are highly respected for their position as Ministers, and can easily become frictional people.

Our publicity comes by way of church announcements.

Standard materials inclosed__each team used the same type of advertisement. We used printed materials to give dates and time.

Methods used found on sheet of this report marked organization and how.

County comments on page marked comments by counties.

From the above for the 1964 Voter Registration campaign Currituck had actual registered Negro vote of only 177__ SCLC set a quota of 200 for May and October. In May 60 New voters added.

Results of Work:

The increased number in this campaign from May 2,9, and 16 will follow and show actual results obtained doing this period that the registration books was opened.

May 2, 9, and 16 the registration books through out North Carolina was opened for registering new voters. The task of getting some Negroes to seek office in North Eastern North Carolina so as to entage Negroes to seek registration became a full-time job, although the task became a successful one.

The Negro candidates offered for a commissioner seat and a board of education seat in Hertford County and a board of education seat in Pasquotank County. C. Melvin Creecy, a Negro, was offered a commissioner seat and a Board of Education seat in Northampton County. In the towns of the East where Negroes did seek office a noticeable increase in Negroes voters was the results in counties listed below with past number of registered voters and additions of new voters:

First Congressional Dist.	No. Before VR Drive	Quota	New Voters
Chowan	550	500	40
Currituck	177	200	60
Gates	351	500	51
Hertford	537	500	698
Martin	1,253	500	107
Pasquotank	1,894	500	77
Perquimons	610	250	40
Pitt	2,520	1,000	170
Tyrrell	298	200	70
Washington	600	250	81
Second Congressional Dist.			
Bertie	713	1,000	236
Northampton	1,300	500	950
Total			2,580

The above is an actual figure of the voters added to the registration books for the month of May, 1964.

A Continued Program of Organizational work to be Continued:

This County in North Eastern North Carolina presented the Task Force of SCLC a challeng in the economic area, educational, employment, especially public employment. It became a problem to bring local Negroes to realize the importance of a Voter Registration campaign. Factual difference became prevelant, jealousy is most noticeable among the ministers in the county. This condition made it necessary for the Task Force to work days at the job of registering voters and meeting nights to bring about organization throughout the county.

Negroes comprise 60 % of the population. A long term program will be continued in Bertie.

Bertie County__ Bertie Improvement Society__Voter Registration Drive. Bertie County is located in North Eastern, North Carolina__ County Seat, Windsor in the second Senatorial District__Population 24,350 with two (2) senators and one (1) member of The House of Representatives.

No Negroes are included in the following offices;

Clerk of Court
Registrar of Deeds
Sheriff
Tax Supervisor
Tax Collector
County Accountant
Cornoer
Surveyor
County Health Department
Superintendent of Schools
Welfare Department
No Negro Home Economic Agent
There are two (2) Agriculture agents in Bertie County_ one White and one Negro, these two agents are assigned to work by race.
Board of Education__No Negro county or city system
Board of Election__No Negro members
City Police__Four (4) men, one of which is Negro.

There are seven (7) Elementary Schools in the county serving Negroes__ a Union High School. None of the County schools are integrated.

The Bertie County Improvement Society, the organization identified as sponsoring the voter registration drive, in Bertie County is an affiliate of SCLC.

Rev. S. P. Petteway is coordinating the voter drive there__ This campaign for new voters will be extended until the October registration period. Good results were noted in the past registration, but due to a split in the Negro community over the failure of sixteen (16) teachers being rehired, the trend of thoughts of the average Negro was diverted on voter registration, and thereby the meetings for voter registration became a sounding board for rehiring the teachers.

A team of students from three colleges were used to do county_ wide canvassing and a home reading, team visited throughout the county teaching basic reading of the constitution, and the location of polling places.

The expense here in this type of work must be watched very carefully, since at least three to four hours a day are required three days or nights a week. Gas for two (2) cars and sometimes one meal must be bought. Those teams should have at least six working together or next door to each other when it is a large county such as Bertie.

Voting Population

Whites Registered 7,064__114.1 %

Non-White potential voting age population 5,600

Negro Population 15,809

Comments on this county will be found on page marked Programs___

A sample letter used throughout North Eastern North Carolina became helpful in Bertie County. (letter found on page 6)

This is a scene on the streets of Bertie shows two (2) of the Voter Registration Team talking to prospective voters;

SAMPLE LETTER TO MINISTERS

Dear Rev._____:

We want to ask your support of the 1964 SCLC Voter Registration Campaign. We are sure that you are aware of the tremendous improvement in our lives that increased voting by Negroes can bring about. As one of the key people in our community, your active participation in the campaign will be absolutely necessary for its success.

There are several ways in which you can help:

1. You can help us to organize a Voters' League so that we as Negroes can take intelligent and united stands on issues and candidates.

2. You can ask God's help for the campaign in your prayers.

3. You can urge your adults and youth to participate in the campaign.

4. You can announce the campaign in church next Sunday. Please announce that those interested in working on the campaign should call_____if they are adults, or_____if they are youths.

5. You can make or allow to be made future campaign annnouncements in your church. The church is the most effective means of reaching the people.

6. You can plan to have a special Voter Registration Sunday, April 15th. Siscuss the program with other ministers. You will want to remind your congregation that it is their Christian duty to be responsible for improvements within our society. Part of American and Christian responsibiltiy is taking care of children and the family; one of the most important ways of getting a better life is through the ballot. You will have other ideas to include about the part Christians should plan in gaining rights for the race.

7. Every Sunday after the voter registration campaing begins, you can publicly recognize the voters in your congregation. You can do this by first calling on all registered voters to rise. Then you can ask all those people who are going to register to stand. We know you will have appropriate comments after that!

We hope that you will want to follow through on many of these ideas. With your support and the support of your congregation, we will be able to register enough Negroes to influence the outcome of local elections. This will mean that Negro interests are important to candidates, and is the first step toward full equality. We will appreciate your help in improving our lives.

Sincerely yours,
SCLC Task Force

Golden Frinks, FS of SCLC on approaching the Mansion door was haulted by a guard and asked by the guard, "who is there", answered by Frinks, "The citizens of Williamston with Golden Frinks as representative", after being told by the guard that the Governor could not see Golden Frinks and the Citizens of Williamston, Frinks replied pointing to the campers, "We've got plenty of time, we'll camp, after seeing this the guard said, "wait", and Frinks was immediately admitted.

Edenton___Students and Ministers in a "Get out and Vote Campaign", contacted more than 5,000 people in eleven (11) counties informing them that the registration books would be opened May 2 through the 16 for registering. A goal of 8,000 new voters are set by SCLC in eleven counties in North Eastern North Carolina.

A SCLC Task Force of twenty (20) people are canvassing throughout North Eastern North Carolina in this drive aided by Teachers College in Elizabeth City.

Robersonville___Voter Registration drive kick off. 300 people turned out to hear Golden Frinks speak on the importance of the ballot. A goal of 1,500 new voters set for Martin County, present registered 1,253.

Williamston___Bernard Lee calls for action in Voter Registration in North Eastern North Carolina on Sunday, March 12, at Green Memorial Church. Says Reverend Lee, "Hold your dollar and put your vote in the bolloet box and your Freedom is assured", continued Reverend Lee, 'you can't stay here, you are doing the work of God'.

Elizabeth City__Voter drive gets on the way. House to House people tour conducted by church and affilliates of SCLC. Goal of 700 set, present registered 1,894, SCLC task force assisting.

Counties Task Force working in; Present registered and quotas net follows:

COUNTY	APPROXIMATE NO. OF NEGRO VOTERS	QUOTA FOR NEW VOTERS
Beaufort	713	500
Camden	187	350
Chowan	550	500
Currituck	177	200
Dare	75	75
Gates	351	500
Hertford	537	500
Hyde	173	250
Martin	1,253	500
Pasquotank	1,894	500
Prequimans	610	250
Pitt	2,520	1,000
Tyrrell	298	200
Washington	600	250
Totals	9,938	5,575

Chowan County, Edenton Movement, Voter Registration Drive.

Chowan County is located in North Eastern, North Carolina, County Seat__Edenton, in the first Sentorial District, population 11,729, with two (2) Senators and one (1) member of the House of Representatives. No Negroes are included in the following offices.

Clerk	Sheriff of assistant
Treasurer	Register of Deeds
Tax Supervisor	Tax Collector
Couhty Accountant	Corner
County Health Department	Welfare Department

Home Economic Extension are separate, yet the county have just bought a old hotel with space for both agents.
There are two (2) Agriculture Agents in separate offices.
Listed as Chairman, White and Negro work.

Board of Education has no Negroes, County or City system.
Board of Election, no Negroes are members.
County Commissioners, no Negroes are members
City Police Department of seven (7) one of which is a Negro.

There is one Negro Lawyer.

There are three so call Negro schools in the cuunty, none of which are integrated.
Of the three so call white schools, two are integrated, total Negroes attending Elementary one (1), High School six (6), making a total of seven (7).

The Edenton Movement the organization identifying or sponsoring the Voter Registration in Chowan County is an affilliate of SCLC. Mrs. Mozella Roberts of the Chowan County Citizenship school on Mexico Road. The school is near Edenton, Coordinated the registration program.

Recommendations by Golden Ffinks, Field Secretary of SCLC:

Due to the recent received vouchers signed by working in the Voter Registration Campaign. I recommmend that the money be prerattled equally to all workers except Mrs. Mozella Roberts. Mfs. Mozella Roberts worked untiredlessly to organize Chowan County for the Voter Registration Drive. She also taught a clinic Door-to-Door with the help of Mrs. Bertha Johnson; a continued program by Mrs. Mozella Roberts is of the up most and this I have asked her to do.

Chowan County in the First Congressional District	Approximate No. of Negro Voters	New Voters	Total of Voters
	600	40	640

Gates County, Voter Drive carried on by SCLC Task Force, and students from State College in Elizabeth City, N. C.

This small farming county with a population of 9,254 is located in North Eastern, North Carolina; the county seat, Gatesville in the first Senatorial District with two Senators and one member of the House of Representative. Negroes out number Whtes in the county. Voting population for Whites in the county is 3,087, and Non-White 351 with 51 new voters making the total 402.

A house-to-house personal contact campaign was conducted throughout the county by the task force of SCLC and students from the college.

There are no Negroes employed in the city or county. One High School serve Negroes with two Elementary Schools. None of the schools are integrated.

Cars were used to pick up Voter team; no free food in this county for the team as poor conditions exist, for Negroes there. Total Negro population 6,000, township and county wide organizational work has been started there, soon a unit of SCLC will be set up.

SCLC has had contacts there for two years now.

Gates County Drive will continue in October for the November General and National Elections.

Edgecomb County, County Seat Tarboro, North Carolina. With a population of 54,226, 28,092 of which are Negroes. A goal of 1,000 new voters in that county has been set. SCLC voter teams made county wide contact. The teams did not include Rocky Mount. Students from State College, Elizabeth City, North Carolina, along with 27 youths from the Williamston Unit of SCLC, made house-to-house visits, passed out written copies of the Constitution. I am sure that Edgecombe will be included in the Northeastern Voting Clinic since we are sure that if the county is properly organized a great increase in the numbers of non-White potential voters. This county joining Northhampton on the South Eastern end received great encouragement from the Halifax-County voter registration drive. Edgecombe county Negroes could if given a little guidance elect Negroes to public offices in Tarboro and Rocky Mount.

In Edgecombe near Tarboro there is an all Negro City called Princeville. I carried a team of students there May 4, 1964 which was election day there to encourage Negroes to get out and vote. More than 3,000 people were contacted throughout the county from April 24, to May 4, 1964. More than 221 new voters were added to the books.

Comments on Edgecombe County will be found on page marked Comments

COUNTIES LISTED AND COMMENTS

MARTIN COUNTY___ Re-Registration

The actual figure shown for Martin County in new registering is 90, the total registered 511; 425 of these were not on the State Book from a pre-registering, May, 1963. It was even harder to convence these Negroes to go back and re-register than getting them to register, May, '63. Martin County will be a major area for a intensified Voter Regist-ration Drive this October.

Pitt County___

Pitt County had 170 new registered voters in this campaign. The size of the county and the effort to reach a working relationship with an organization on State-Wide Health presented a great obstacle for the worders of Pitt County. It became necessary for the SCLC task force to do maping and canvassing for future Voter Registration in Pitt County.

Pasquotank County___

Pasquotank County factional difference between Ministers, Civil Rights Leaders, especially the Albemarle Improvement Association and the NAACP, enviing for reconigtion. It became necessary for the SCLC Task Force to include Pasquotank County in their drive of direct action program for voter registration drive. Great prospects exist for a increase over the present new registrars in re-newed effort to re-organize the county. The Albemarle Improvement Society is a affilliate of SCLC.

Prequimans County___

This county had a county-wide chairman, Rev. F. L. Andrews, He is the president of the counties branch of NAACP; an along with Chowan county you will find his voucher. I would suggest that careful consideration be given both Chowan county and Pasquotank county Reports. A closer working relationship is being sought by me with its' Negro Leadership hoping for a greater success in this county.

Washington County___

This county had a complete re-registration. The Task Force of SCLC went into Washington County with a well organized program as outlined in the beginning of this book. We were able to encourage all the Negroes to re-register. This was some 700 re-registered and 81 new registered. This is the second year for SCLC in Washington County.

COUNTIES LISTED AND COMMENTS CONTINUED

Tyrrell County___

This county is a very small county in North Eastern, North Carolina. Its' population 4,520, county seat, Columbia, N. C., with no Negroes in any public office working excepting Teachers. They had a registration of Negroes of 298, we set a quota of 200 for the '64 Voter Registration Campaign. We were able to do very well in getting 70 new registered voters. The general idea of most Negroes there is very mixed as to whether the issue involves them. It is more like a south-side Georgia community than a Eastern Carolina . Population is devided almost equally.

Northampton County___

This county with a population of 26,811 of which 18,189 are Negroes. New registration in Northampton county increased the vote by 698 new Negro voters. Mr. Rev. Creecy sought a seat on the Board of Education, Mr. Faison sought a seat on the County Commissoners. There bid was unsuccessful but presents a great desire on the part of the Negroes of this county to increase there vote and make a new try. The NAACP Chapter is very strong in this county even though SCLC has been in this county for 2 years, and I have been working in this county doing volunteer work for 5 years.

Hertford County___

This is a county with a population of 22,718, 12,860 are Negroes. Two candidates sought seats, one as County Commissioner, and one on the Board of Education. This gave great inspiration to the Negroes of this county and as a results 698 new Negro voters were added to the books. The Task Force of SCLC worked in the county by passing Ahoskie organizational work which was carried on by the Better Citizens Club of Ahoskie and affilliate of SCLC and NAACP.

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WILLIAMSTON - A PROBLEM OF TACTICS

The county seat of Martin County, North Carolina, is Williamston, a town of 6924 people in 1960. Like much of Eastern North Carolina, Martin County is a rural area with tobacco as a major cash crop. Although Williamston is interested in attracting more industry, at present it has little. Like much of the eastern section of the Tarheel state, the general area has little to offer in terms of jobs, and loses many persons each year to more progressive parts of the state and nation.

In the spring of 1963 some contacts were made by local white leaders in Williamston with the town's businessmen to obtain the desegregation of public facilities in the town. In a somewhat similar manner to what Charlotte, N.C. had worked out earlier, the plan was to gain agreement from all the local businesses, and then to have them all desegregate at a given time. This negotiation was done without advising members of the Negro community of its progress. A number of the businesses were agreed to offer their services to all when the first demonstrations were organized in July. After the demonstrations those businessmen who had agreed to desegregate refused to. These local demonstrations were organized by the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, whose local s[redacted] Golden Frinks, a resident of a town 30 miles or so from Willi[redacted].

It appears that SCLC planned drives at about this time in Williamston and Rocky Mount, a North Carolina town 40 miles or so to the west. In Rocky Mount a list of demands were presented to the mayor, with a threat of demonstrations made if they were not met. Most of these demands were met at that time, and progress in Rocky Mount has been such that no demonstrations have resulted. (At the same time, Greenville, N.C. has completed the opening of all its public facilities such as restaurants, motels, lunch counters, movies etc. without demonstrations, and has made progress in employment for Negroes in local establishments.) However, in Williamston a demonstration was started before the demands of the demonstrations were given out to any town officials. Since this resulted in the end of the plan for voluntary desegregation of the businesses, a bi-racial committee was formally created by the mayor of the town.

For 33 nights demonstrations were conducted by SCLC, without break, with no incidents, and full police protection. During this time larger and larger crowds of rural whites appeared on the streets. It appeared that the small town police force would not be able to control the crowds attracted into town in this way, and thus actions were taken to limit the demonstrations, including some arrests. During one such demonstration a crowd of about 90 Negroes is said to have been somewhat unruly and to have smashed some windows as it approached the center of town. To prevent this group from contact with the crowd of whites in the main street, 3 local police handcuffed 3 Negro leaders of the crowd to parking meters while they dispersed the rest of the group. Golden Frinks then released publicity charging this was an act of police brutality. At another time Frinks reported that the Ku Klux Klan had taken over Williamston, and that Negro bodies could be seen in the streets (no one has been injured to any extent in the town), and most recently he has claimed that Williamston was a "mound of hate" where,"Negroes have been treated worse...than in any other place in North Carolina." This sort of untrue reporting does not appear to have increased confidence in him among the New South whites working for progress in the city, and has allowed

the segregationists to make a good example out of him when they cry that Negroes are irresponsible and their leaders care more for publicity than real progress.

The first of the well publicized Northern ministers from Massachusetts came in Nov. and Dec., after the racial signs had been taken down from city facilities, but jobs not opened for Negroes in local stores, nor local eating places open to all. The city attorney wanted to arrest the ministers when they first arrived in town even if they conformed to all local laws, but Mayor N.C. Green and the city council agreed that they had a right to demonstrate if they wished, as did the local Negroes. Shortly after the first wave of Mass. ministers, during late Dec. 1963, an agreement was made for desegregation of many county facilities, such as the hospital, for the city to stop aiding the local (private) segregated library, and for the bi-racial committee to gain agreement that all local restaurants would be opened to Negroes. A slow down in [redacted] all these agreements (at the hospital caused by the refusal of the doctors to accept the new county policy) resulted in the call that brought the second wave of Mass. ministers to the town.

The Williamston Negro community had organized a voter registration drive in 1962 which resulted in 200 persons registering, while a later SCLC drive appeared to produce only 5 new voters. However, in 1963 there seemed to be no active local Negro leadership, and today Golden Frinks is thought to have control of the actions of most Williamston Negroes. However, some of the more established Negroes have been members of the bi-racial committee, which Frinks appears not to work with in any steady manner. These Negro members reports [redacted] harassment from other local Negroes. They have opposed including SCLC members on the committee, stating that they doubt these younger people are interested in taking the time to work things out. It seems that some of the middle class Negroes in the town are becoming interested in forming an action group, partly to resist the control Frinks has in their community, and they are willing to serve on the bi-racial committee.

Two segregation groups have made their appearance, the KKK and the John Birch Society. It appears that as in Kinston, N.C., the Birch Society is strong among the local doctors, and holds private meetings in the town, from time to time. Literature from "Liberty Lobby" and Congressman James B. Utt, opposing civil rights, has been distributed in the area. The local manager for the segregationist candidate for governor of North Carolina is an M.D., Dr. G.G. Kimsebright. The Klan has held a meeting near Williamston which was led by a minister from Greensboro, N.C., over 100 miles away. Literature has been distributed by the KKK to stores that now employ Negroes, and the owner of a small store on the edge of town, who favors integration, has been threatened. The Klan, which at this time is not too much of an influence, seems backed by semi-skilled and un-skilled white workers, and some of the large tobacco farmers, who may be interested in maintaining their social positions by maintaining segregation.

The local New South whites who favor progress in this matter of desegregation include Rev. William Campbell, who is the head of a local civil organization, as well as a member of the bi-racial committee; the chairman of the committee, who is a long time native and retired businessman, Rush Roughgrant; and local businessmen who feel that peace in the town can be maintained only by desegregation. At the same time, many of the Martin County boards control facilities or policies that are targets of demonstrations, and since these boards have many men from the rural parts of the county, they often offer much opposition to plans to desegregation.

One issue that indicated the division within the white community was a move to replace the city support of the private library by private donations from civic clubs. The group

sponsoring the library, a woman's club, voted to move to keep it segregated by only 3 votes out of a hundred or so voting. In several of the civic clubs that agreed to donate money to the library, over ½ of the membership did not vote at all, thus showing lack of support for the idea, but also a desire to cause no trouble with those favoring segregation. The local newspaper editor, Frances Manning,(unlike the editor of Cambridge,Md.'s paper who was strictly neutral)is a strong segregationist. He would not report anything about the demonstrations when they had only local people, but wildly attacked the Mass. ministers, and seems to attempt to prove that all crime the town has had recently has been due to desegregation efforts. However, he seems to have softened a little recently, and favored desegregation of the library, while printing a sermon favoring civil rights that Rev. Howard Grooover delivered to his church one Sunday.

The Northern ministers who demonstrated in Williamston seemed to have developed great resentment among the town's white community without any organized campaign against them. In addition, their closed minded attitudes offended the New South whites they contacted in both Williamston and Greenville. They appeared to have no understanding of the existence and work of whites favoring desegregation in the South, and to have no desire to work with these whites and [redacted] racial committee members in Williamston. They had little contact with the town's white community, and thus could have little impact on its thinking, except for those who were allowed to fast in a local white church, where church members came to talk with them from time to time. It has been thought that one or two ministers staying for some time and working in the Negro community, to help develop local leadership, might be of more help than a group coming to demonstrate with them for a few days, by some of the local New South whites. The ministers did serve a good witness to white involvement,in civil rights, it seemed. It is thought that they may have helped to improve the morale of the Williamston Negroes, but that their witness seemed to narrowly concurred with the SCLC rather than a witness to the [redacted] Christian position. The Mass. ministers stated that they would do exactly what SCLC asked them to do, and would make no independent decisions on their own, even when they found conditions that were not just as they had thought they were when they came down. Reports were circulated by the segregationists that the ministers had sexual interests in the Negro community, and that the demonstrations were not aimed to help the local Negroes' lot, but to help passage of the Civil Rights Bill. At one time the Mass. ministers refused to sign a permit to march, which permit had already been granted, so they could be jailed, in order to be able to challenge the use of permits to control and limit civil rights marches and demonstrations. One minister was heard to say that they intended to give Williamston such a bad name no new industry would come there. (Since new industry is needed to really expand Negro job opportunities this attitude seemed most unfortunate.)

Currently, the members of the bi-racial committee seem to feel that while the white community is very conservative, the demonstrations have made it aware of the [redacted] of the Negro community to [redacted] segregation, and of the need to work with local Negroes to meet their demands. An economic boycott by Negroes under SCLC direction, and the desire of many rural whites to keep away from a trouble spot, has made most store owners anxious to reach a solution soon. Participation in action to desegregate by the better educated local Negroes, while before the action was taken entirely by the lower educated level in the Negro community, and by high school students, seems to make agreement more likely, it is felt. The bi-racial committee will work as a clearing house which will direct and carry demands to the correct authorities or owners. Since ½ the town is Negro, an important integrated program now going on is the job training and training in the trades carried out by the local branch of the state Industrial Education Program. The recently formed inter-racial ministerial association is thought to be a product of the demonstrations that would have been opposed by the white community earlier.(this year's sunrise service was inter-racial)

The city schools are to desegregate this coming fall, but this important step will

[illegible] and the Committee [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Dear Parent or Friend:

If you are not a registered voter, one of the things you may be asked to do before you can register is to read the Constitution of the United States.

Below is the beginning part of the Constitution. Practice reading it in order that you may be able to register and vote.

PREAMBLE

We the people of the United States, in order to form a more perfect Union, establish justice, insure domestic tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote the general welfare, and secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America.

ARTICLE I

The Legislative Department

Section 1. All legislative powers herein granted shall be vested in a Congress of the United States, which shall consist of a Senate and House of Representatives.

The House of Representatives

Section 2. (1) The House of Representatives shall be composed of members chosen every second year by the people of the several States, and the electors in each State, shall have the qualifications requisite for electors of the most numerous branch of the State Legislature.

(2) No person shall be a Representative who shall not have attained to the age of twenty-five years, and been seven years a citizen of the United States, and who shall not, when elected, be an inhabitant of that State in which he shall be chosen.

(3) Representatives and direct taxes shall be apportioned among the several States which may be included within this Union, according to their respective numbers, (which shall be determined by adding to the whole number of free persons, including those bound to service for a term of years), and excluding Indians not taxed, (three fifth of all other persons). The actual enumeration shall be made within three years after the first meeting of the Congress of the United States, and within every subsequent term of ten years, in such manner as they shall by law direct. The number of Representatives shall not exceed one for every thirty thousand, but each State shall have at least one representative; (and until such enumeration shall be made, the State of New Hampshire shall be entitled to choose 3, Massachusetts 8, Rhode Island and Providence Plantations 1, Connecticut 5, New York 6, New Jersey 4, Pennsylvania 8, Delaware 1, Maryland 6, Virginia 10, North Carolina 5, South Carolina 5 and Georgia 3).

(4) When vacancies happen in the representation from any State, the executive authority thereof shall issue writs of elections to fill such vacancies.

(5) The House of Representatives shall choose their Speaker and other officers; and shall have the sole power of impeachment.

The United States Senate

Section 3. (1) The Senate of the United States shall be composed of two Senators from each State, (chosen by the legislature thereof,) for six years; and each Senator shall have one vote.

(2) Immediately after they shall be assembled in consequence of the first election, they shall be divided as equally as may be into three classes. The seats of the Senators of the first class shall be vacated at the expiration of the fourth year, and of the sixth year, so that one third may be chosen every second year; (and if vacancies happen by resignation, or otherwise, during the recess of the legislature of any state, the Executive thereof may make temporary appointments until the next meeting of the legislature, which shall then fill such vacancies.

(3) No person shall be a Senator who shall not have attained to the age of thirty years, and been nine years a citizen of the United States, and who shall not, when elected, be an inhabitant of that State for which he shall be chosen.

(4) The Vice-President of the United States shall be President of the Senate, but shall have not vote, unless they be equally divided.

(5) The Senate shall choose their other officers, and also a President pro tempore, in the absence of the Vice-President, or when he shall exercise the office of President of the United States.

(6) The Senate shall have the sole power to try all impeachments. When sitting for that purpose, they shall be on oath or affirmation. When the President of the United States is tried, the Chief Justice shall preside: and no person shall be convicted without the concurrence of two thirds of the members present.

(7) Judgement in cases of impreachment shall not extend further than to removal from office, and disqualification to hold and enjoy any office of honor, trust or profit under the United States: but the party convicted shall nevertheless be liable and subject to indictment, trial, judgment and punishment, according to the law.

AMENDMENTS TO THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION

Amendment 1. Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances.

Amendment 2. A well-regulated militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear arms, shall not be infringed.

Amendment 3. No soldier shall, in time of peace be quartered in any house, without the consent of the owner, nor in time of war, but in a manner to be prescribed by law.

Amendment 4. The right of the people to be secure in their persons, houses, papers, and effects, against unreasonable searches and seizures, shall not be violated, and no warrants shall issue, but upon probable cause, supported by oath or affirmation and particularly describing the place to be searched, and the persons or things to be seized.

Amendment 5. No person shall be held to answer for a capital, or otherwise infamous crime, unless on a presentment or indictment of a grand jury, except in cases arising in the land or naval forces, or in the militia, when in actual service in time of war or public danger; nor shall any person be subject for the same offense to be twice put in jeopardy of life or limb; nor shall be compelled in any criminal case to be a witness against himself, nor be deprived of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law; nor shall private property be taken for public use, without just compensation.

Amendment 6. In all criminal prosecutions, the accused shall enjoy the right to a speedy and public trial, by an impartial jury of the State, and district wherein the crime shall have been committed, which district shall have been previously ascertained by law, and to be informed of the nature and cause of the accusation; to be confronted with the witnesses against him; to have compulsory process for obtaining witnesses in his favor, and to have the assistance of counsel for his defense.

Amendment 7. In suits at common law, where the value in controversy shall exceed twenty dollars, the right of trial by jury shall be preserved, and no fact tried by a jury, shall be otherwise re-examined in any court of the United States, than according to the rules of the common law.

Amendment 8. Excessive bail shall not be required, nor excessive fines imposed, nor cruel and unusual punishments inflicted.

Amendment 9. The enumeration in the Constitution, of certain rights, shall not be construed to deny or disparage others retained by the people.

Amendment 10. The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the States, are reserved to the States respectively, or to the people.

Amendment 11. The judicial power of the United States shall not be construed to extend to any suit in law or equity, commended or prosecuted against one of the United States by citizens of another State, or by citizens or subjects of any foreign state.

Amendment 12. The electors shall meet in their respective States and vote by ballot for President and Vice-President, one of whom, at least, shall not be an inhabitant of the same State with themselves; they shall name in their ballots the person voted for as President, and in distinct ballots the person voted for as Vice-President, and of the number of votes for each, which lists they shall sign and certify, and transmit sealed to the seat of the Government of the United States, directed to the President of the Senate;---the President of the Senate shall, in the presence of the Senate and House of Representatives, open all the certificates and the votes shall then be counted;---the person having the greatest number of votes for President shall be the President, if such number be a majority of the whole number of electors appointed; and if no person have such majority, then from the persons having the highest numbers not exceeding three on the list of those voted for as President, the House of Representatives shall chose immediately, by ballot the President. But in choosing the President, the votes shall be taken by States, the representation from each State having one vote; a quorum for this purpose shall consist of a member or members from two thirds of the states, and a majority of all the States shall be necessary to a choice. And if the House of Representatives shall not devolve upon them (before the fourth day of March next following,) then the Vice-President shall act as President, as in the case of the death or other constitutional disability of the President. The person having the greatest number of votes as Vice-President, shall be the Vice-President, if such number be a majority of the whole number of electors appointed, and if no person have a majority, then from the two highest numbers on the list, the Senate shall choose the Vice-President, a quorum for the purpose shall consist of two thirds of the whole number of Senators, and a majority of the whole number shall be necessary to a choice.

Preamble

We, the people of the United States, in order to form a more perfect Union, establish justice, insure domestic tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote the general welfare, and secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America.

Article XIII

1. Neither slavery nor involuntary servitude, except as a punishment for crime whereof the party shall have been duly convicted, shall exist within the United States, or any place subject to their jurisdiction.

2. Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.

Article XIV

1. All persons born or naturalized in the United States, and subject to the jurisdiction thereof, are citizens of the United States and of the State wherein they reside. No State shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States; nor shall any state deprive any person of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law; nor deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws.

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ATTENTION: MARTIN COUNTY CITIZENS

Do you want to be a leader? Then . . . . . .

1. Close your account with segregation.
2. Open an account with freedom.
3. Teach your people to register and vote.
4. Teach them to work together for one common cause, such as "fair employment and equal use of its facilities."

We were born in the shame of segregation.
We will live in the dignity of freedom.
Look up and people will look up to you.
Lead and people will follow.
Be a credit to your community.
Register and vote.

Are you a registered voter? Yes____ No____

Are you twenty-one years old? Yes___ No____

Would you like to vote? Yes___ No____

Answer these questions and we will come for this sheet tomorrow.

"Redeeming the Souls of America"

Coordinated by
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(Mrs.) Sara E. Small, President
Williamston, Unit of Southern
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ATLANTA, GA. / MARTIN LUTHER KING JR., PRES.

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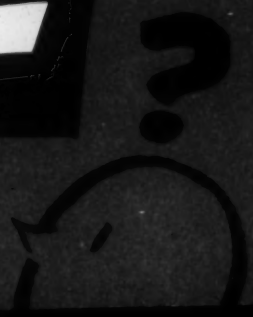
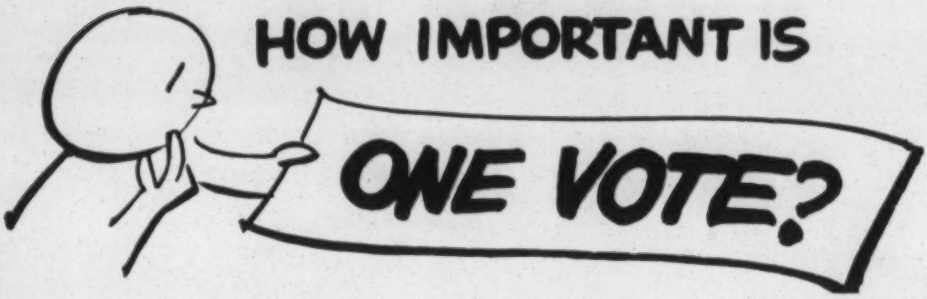


THE ABC'S OF CITIZENSHIP



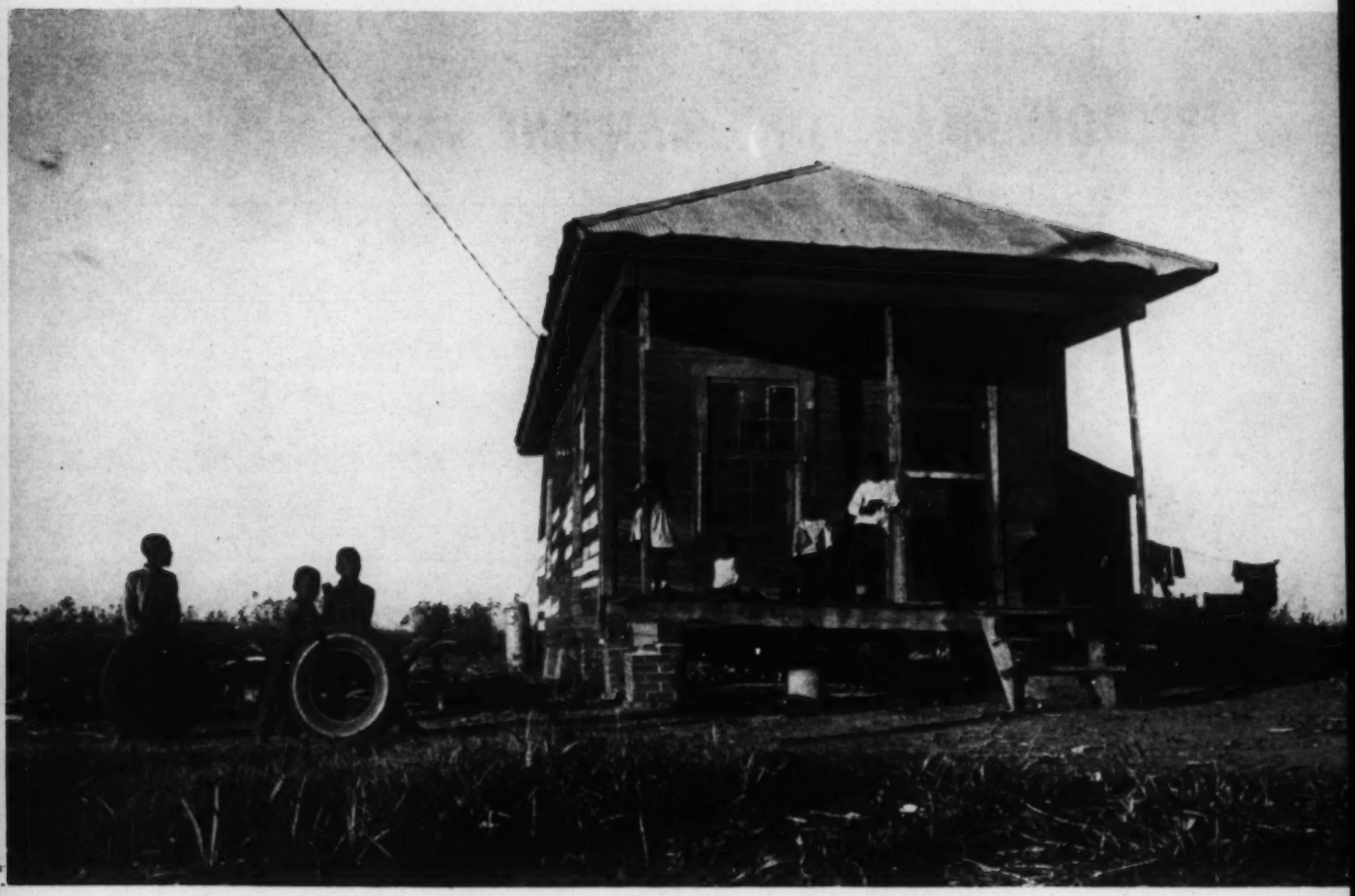
ONE electoral vote put Rutherford B. Hayes in the White House.

ONE Congressional vote saved Selective Service just 12 weeks before Pearl Harbor.

ONE vote can take a frightened child off a busy highway and onto a new school bus.

LITHO. IN U. S. A.

GIVE THEM A FUTURE IN EASTERN NORTH CAROLINA



ONE MAN - ONE VOTE FOR FREEDOM

EASTERN NORTH CAROLINA
WHAT IS ITS FUTURE?

Only when government officials are elected by all the people and for all the people, will there be freedom in North Carolina

FREEDOM MEANS ONE MAN-ONE VOTE

YOU CANNOT HAVE

-- FAIR JOB PRACTICES
-- GOOD EDUCATION
-- FREEDOM FROM INTIMIDATION OR BRUTALITY BY POLICE
— A FAIR AND JUST TRIAL
-- GOOD LAWS THAT PROTECT ALL CITIZENS

UNLESS YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO VOTE!

THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES SAYS:

1. Anyone born in the United States is a citizen of this nation and the state where he lives.

2. All citizens of the United States have a right to vote that no state can deny because of race or color.

YOU ARE A CITIZEN.
YOU HAVE A RIGHT TO VOTE

NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM REGISTRAR TO COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

Fill in two copies of this form. Give one to the registrar or person that refused to register you and keep one.

Filed with (Name of registrar) _____
I applied to you for registration as a voter on, Date _____
AND WAS DENIED REGISTRATION BY YOU. I appeal to the County Board of Elections.

My Name _____ Age ____

Address _____ City _____
The reason for this appeal is that I am fully qualified to register and vote. I have been denied the right.

This notice is filed with you at ___ o'clock, Date _____

Sign Your Name _____

_____ CUT HERE _____

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ARTICLE VI

SUFFRAGE ~~########~~ and ELIGIBLITY TO OFFICE

SECTION I. Who may vote. Every person born in the United States, and every person who has been naturalized, twenty-one years of age, and possessing the qualifications set out in this article, shall be entitled to vote at any election by the people of the state, except as herin otherwise provided.

SECTION 3. Voters to be registered. Every person offering to vote shall be at the time a legally registered voter as herein prescribed and in the manner hereafter provided by law, and the general assembly of North Carolina shall enact general registration laws to carry into effect the provisions of this article.

SECTION 5. Indivisible plan; Legislative intent. That this admendment to the constitution is presented and adopted as one indivisible plan for the regulation of the suffrage, with the intent and purpose to so connect the different parts, and make them so dependent upon each other, that the whole shall stand or fall together.

SECTION 6. Elections by people and General assembly. All elections by the people shall be by ballot, and all elections by the General assembly shall be viva voce.

Voter Registration Kick-Off Rally

SUNDAY, MAY 3rd - 4 P. M.

— at —

Green's Memorial Christian Church

WILLIAMSTON, NORTH CAROLINA

GUEST SPEAKER

Dr. M. A. REID

Dynamic Minister and Leader

PETERSBURG, VIRGINIA

Sponsored By the Williamston Unit of SCLC

Made file

April 30, 1964

Mrs. Thelma Abbott, Chairman
Voter Registration Committee
521-B West Columbia Avenue
College Park, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Abbott:

This will acknowledge your letter of April 29 requesting $100 to help defray expenses for postage, materials, and gasoline expenses in connection with the program in College Park.

Our check in the amount of $100 is enclosed and made payable to you as chairman and we are also sending a supply of voucher forms for you to use in support of your disbursements.

We shall expect a report concerning your activities at the completion of your project.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:js

cc: Mr. Jesse Hill

PS No portion of these funds may be used in connection with partisan politics in any manner whatsoever.

Rec'd 4/30/64

April 29, 1964

Attorney Wiley Branton, Director
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton:

The Negro citizens of College Park have been greatly concerned in recent months to learn that only about 10% of our community citizens of voting age are registered to vote.

With the help and guidance of the All-Citizens Registration Committee, we have held several productive and enthusiastic meetings. We are about ready now to launch a major voter registration effort.

We have divided our community into four sections. With the use of official voter lists, canvass and assignment sheets supplied by the All-Citizens Registration Committee we have high hopes of an effective vote drive.

We are hereby requesting an advance assistance grant of at least $100.00 th help defray expenses for postage, materials, gasoline expense, etc.

Yours truly,

Thelma Abbott

Mrs. Thelma Abbott, Chairman
Voter Registration Committee
521-B West Columbia Avenue
College Park, Georgia

TA:b
CC: Mr. Jesse Hill, Jr.
Mrs. Barbara Whitaker

~~10-17-64~~
10-24-64
[illegible]

October 7, 1964

Mrs. Thelma Abbott
521-B West Columbia Avenue
College Park, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Abbott:

When I spoke with you on September 16 you felt that there might have been a discrepancy in the financial reporting to this office since we had received only two reportings from your project and you thought that three had been made. You were to check this matter out at a meeting that night.

Since we have heard nothing further from you we are assuming that our accounts are correct and that your balance of VEP money on hand is $75.37.

If you have made expenditures since the accounting we received in mid-September would you kindly report these to us so that we can bring our books up-to-date.

Sincerely yours,

Jean Levine
Fiscal Assistant

4-17

Memo 9/16/64

Phoned Mrs. Abbott 9/16/64. We are supposed to have received a reporting between the 2 we did receive. She will check tonite.

Tucker-Castleberry Printing, Inc.
226 Luckie Street, N.W. • JAckson 5-8654

To WAB - Jon

Date 9/11 Time

WHILE YOU WERE OUT

Mrs. M Abbott

of College Park

Phone

Area Code Number Extension

TELEPHONED		PLEASE CALL	
CALLED TO SEE YOU		WILL CALL AGAIN	
WANTS TO SEE YOU		URGENT	
	RETURNED YOUR CALL		

Message Reports weren't mailed today. Please check vouchers for mistake on our part

Operator

No. 2725 S Office Supply Co., Atlanta TR 2-1133

~~9-12-64~~
9-19-64

September 5, 1964

Mrs. Thelma Abbott
521-B West Columbia Avenue
College Park, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Abbott:

On August 10, Mr. Brannon wrote you asking if you had made any expenditures from your VEP account since the $9.00 you reported in July. He also requested that you let us know once a month whether or not you have made expenditures from the ~~$420.21~~ $91.00 balance on your books.

To date there has been no reply from you. Please let us have an answer before September 11.

Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

Jean Levine
Fiscal Assistant

Rec'd
9-12-64

8-22-64

August 10, 1964

Mrs. Thelma Abbott
321-B West Columbia Avenue
College Park, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Abbott:

Re VEP 4-17

Early in July you submitted financial reporting to us which indicated that you had spent a little over $9.00 of the $100 grant which we made to your project. Have you made any other financial disbursements since that time?

Ordinarily we require the projects to submit weekly financial reporting to us but we realize that you were not spending money fast enough to justify weekly financial reporting. It would be helpful, however, if you would let us know once a month, whether or not you have made any expenditures and if so, what for. This way we would not have to write you from time to time to get this information.

Please reply.

Sincerely yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:jl

7-24-64

~~5-9-64~~

Reporting due on
VEP 4-17
(College Park Ga.)
No checks - voucher
forms

Mrs. Thelma Abbott
521-B West Columbia Ave.
College Park, Ga.
Termin. date?
Pol-7409

767-3
575

WB

M E M O R A N D U M November 21, 1964

TO: Wiley A. Branton
FROM: Jean Levine
RE: Final Accounting on VEP 4-17
(College Park (Ga.) V.E.P.)

Grant		$100.00
Expenditures:		
Adv. Prom. & Print.	$ 19.00	
Office Supplies	49.00	
Salaries	5.00	
Trav. & Trans.	32.00	105.00
Over accounted		($ 5.00)

jl

May 5, 1964

Mr. W. E. Roland, President
Asheville-Buncombe Voter Project
29 South Market Street
Asheville, North Carolina VEP 4-18

Dear Mr. Roland:

Your letter of April 30 has been referred to me by Mr. Randolph T. Blackwell, together with his recommendation that we make a grant to the Asheville-Buncombe County Citizens' Organization in sppport of your May, 1964 voter registration program. I am pleased to enclose herein our check in the amount of $200 in support of this program.

The proceeds of this check and any other money coming from the Voter Education Project should be deposited in a special checking account, and you should not mix any other funds in this account. You will note that we have made the check payable to the Asheville-Buncombe Voter Project, and you might use this name for your bank account.

Except for a small petty cash fund, you should make your payments by check whereser possible, but all expenditures should be supported by a voucher and we are supplying a few vouchers for your use.

The Voter Education Project is a non-partisan program in every sense of the word, and no part of the funds from VEP may be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf nor against any political candidate. This restriction applies whether the political candidate be white or Negro.

You will be required to furnish the VEP office with complete and full information regarding your voter registration program, and it is understood that VEP may cancel this program at any time, and require that you pay over to VEP any unexpended funds which you may have on hand.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:js

Encl: 1

PS Our Research Assistant, Mrs. Barbara Whitaker, will write you concerning progress reporting requirements. We welcome you and your co-workers to the VEP program, and if there is anything we can do to assist you otherwise, then please let us know.

RTB ✓
Return to
WB ✓

THE ASHEVILLE-BUNCOMBE COUNTY CITIZENS' ORGANIZATION

29 SOUTH MARKET STREET ASHEVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA

April 30, 1964

Voter Education Project
% R.T. Blackwell, Field Director
# 5 Forsyth Street N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia

MAY 1 1964

Gentlemen:

Enclosed please find information regarding the 1964 Voter Registration Campaign in progress in our city.

This campaign is being sponsored jointly by the Asheville-Buncombe County Citizens Organization, Asheville Chapter of the N.A.A.C.P. and the Asheville League of Women Voters.

The campaign has been implemented as outlined on the enclosed table or organization, and has been financed thus far on a fifty dollar budget , contributed equally by the Asheville N.A.A.C.P. Chapter and the Asheville-Buncombe County Citizens Organization. Needless to say these funds have been exhausted, making it necessary for us to eliminate some parts of our program. We have no other source of funds at our disposal.

There still remains several things which withsufficient funds, might be done to improve the effectiveness of our drive. They are listed here.

(1) To secure a list of registered voters in the nine precincts where Negroes reside. The cost of securing these names is two cents per registered voter. This includes all races. Registered City Voters are 29,795. The estimate cost is six dollars ($6.00). — 6.00

(2) To secure secretarial help to separate the names by races and to set up a file of eligible Negro voters. Estimated cost is twenty-five dollars. — 25.00

(3) To provide a car pool to provide transportation to the polls on the last day of registration, and on voting day. A need of seven cars at a cost of ten dollars per car, per day. Five cars will be used to cover the four heavily populated precincts and two cars to cover the other five precincts. Estimated cost is $140.00 — 140.00

25.00 Misc
196.00

The total estimated cost is $171.00. (Miscellaneous cost $25.00). We feel this to be a conservative figure, and promise to carry out this program to the fullest extent.

VEP #18

THE ASHEVILLE-BUNCOMBE COUNTY CITIZENS' ORGANIZATION

29 SOUTH MARKET STREET ASHEVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA

We would appreciate it very much, if you would supply the funds to complete this job.

Thank you.

Respectfully yours,

W.E. Roland, President
Asheville-Buncombe County
Citizens Organization

WER/hg

I would like very much to see amount requested granted to this group. I am preparing a report on this work which will describe in greater detail.

RB

1964 VOTER REGISTRATION DRIVE

NAACP | ASHEVILLE-BUNCOMBE COUNTY CITIZENS ORGANIZATION | LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

Chairman of Map Drawing

Chairman of Finance

STEERING COMMITTEE
Arbury Guilbeaux, Chairman. Tom Logan, Co-chairman.

Chairman of Publicity

Chairman of Instruction

General Precinct Chairman
Harriett Nunn

Chairman Precinct 1 Mr. McCord	Chairman Precinct 2 Mrs. Davis	Chairman Precinct 3 Mr. McMorris	Chairman Precinct 4 Mrs. Braboy	Chairman Precinct 7 Mr. Hemphill	Chairman Precinct 8 Mr. Mahaffey	Chairman Precinct 10 Mr. Lyles	Chairman Precinct 11 Mr. Crowell	Chairman Precinct 14 Mr. Friday
Block Captains	Block Captains	Block Captains	Block Captains	Block Captains	Block Captains	Block Captains	Block Captains	Block Captains
Block Workers	Block Workers	Block Workers	Block Workers	Block Workers	Block Workers	Block Workers	Block Workers	Block Workers

May 6, 1964

Mr. W. E. Roland
Asheville-Buncombe Voter Project
29 South Market Street
Asheville, North Carolina

RE: VEP 4-18

Dear Mr. Roland:

We would appreciate receiving a weekly report, retroactive to May 1, in which you report registration results (in exact figures), the number of persons contacted, means of contact, number applying for registration, number rejected, and the reason for rejection. We would appreciate also your discussion of problems encountered, both with officials and in the Negro communities, and plans for solving same.

At the conclusion of the program, we would appreciate a report of the assessment of the effectiveness of your approach to the assignment, as you see it.

If we can be of assistance to you, let us know. We welcome your questions and comments.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Barbara I. Whitaker
Research Assistant

BIW:js

PS. We are sending you, under separate cover, the forms necessary for making your statistical report to us.

5/15/64 JSV BW WB RTB JD JS

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: Asheville-Buncombe Voter Project

Period covered by this report: From May 1 to May 14

Person reporting Mr. W.E. Roland, Chairman; Mrs. Hazel R. Goodman, Secy.

29 Market Street	Asheville	Buncombe	N.C.
Street Address	City	County	State

Date submitted: May 14, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: 11, Buncombe Asheville, North Carolina

Ward, Beat, etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass Undetermined

Number instructed at home Undetermined

Number instructed at clinics Approximately 65

Number instructed other places Undetermined a. Specify places

Churches, Organizations, P.T.A.'S

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week Undetermined

Number successfully registered by this project this week undetermined

Number denied registration in this project this week undetermined

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means undetermined

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate undetermined

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start undetermined

Number of workers in the campaign 76

Remarks For the most part, the undetermined reports will come from the block workers who are still canvassing.

VEP 4-18

May 27, 1964

Mr. W. E. Roland
Asheville-Buncombe Voter Project
29 South Market Street
Asheville, North Carolina

RE: VEP 4-18

Dear Mr. Roland:

In checking our files, we find that we have no reports from you covering May 18 through May 22. Since we are supposed to receive weekly reports from you, may we hear from you soon so that we may bring our files up-to-date?

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Barbara I. Whitaker
Research Assistant

BIW:js

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you are on of 7/9/64

THE ASHEVILLE-BUNCOMBE COUNTY CITIZENS' ORGANIZATION

29 SOUTH MARKET STREET ASHEVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA

May 27, 1964

Voter Education Project
Mr. Wiley A. Branton, Project Director
5 Forsyth Street, N.W. Room 206
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton:

Enclosed is the voucher which accounts for our expenditures from the last report, May 14, 1964.

We have called in our cards which were distributed to block workers, and now in the process of evaluating our efforts.

We are also attempting to secure a list of names registered, as a results of our campaign.

We will be able to give you this information in a few days.

Yours truly,

W.E. Roland, Chairman
Asheville-Buncombe
Voter Project

WER/hg

4-18

Rec'd 6/5/64 WB BW JS

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: Asheville-Buncombe Voter Project

Period covered by this report: From May 27, 1964 to June 4, 1964

Person reporting W.E. Roland, Chairman; (Mrs.) Hazel Goodman, Secretary

29 Market Street	Asheville,	Buncombe	N.C.
Street Address	City	County	State

Date submitted: June 4, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: 11, Buncombe Asheville

Ward, Beat, etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass Evaluation is in process

Number instructed at home Printed material was issued out and approximately one out of eight required explanations.

Number instructed at clinics Approximately 65

Number instructed other places Undetermined a. Specify places

Churches, Organizations, P.T.A.'S.

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week We have not been able to determine this result weekly.

Number successfully registered by this project this week Undetermined

Number denied registration in this project this week None

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means Undetermined

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate This really has not been a great problem, only a few elderly persons have refused.

a. Reason for refusing to participate We feel that comprehension is the greater factor, the lacking of responsibility in earlier years.

Number of persons successfully registered since the start We have evaluated the four largest precincts in this area and find an increase of 882 registered since the General Election, November, 1962.

Number of workers in the campaign 76

Remarks Enclosed is an article published in the newspapers here, as to the additional voters in Buncombe County, as a result of our campaign. As soon as our tabulations are complete, we will forward to you the same.

4-18

SEP 4-18

THE ASHEVILLE CITIZEN, ASHEVILLE, N. C.
Friday, May 29, 1964

4,300 Added To Buncombe Registration

An increase of 4,300 voters has been added to the precinct books of Buncombe County since the fall of 1962, according to figures compiled Thursday by the County Board of Elections.

A number of organizations, including the Buncombe Republican Party, have conducted intensive voter registration programs in recent months.

A door-to-door registration effort was pushed in May by the Asheville-Buncombe Citizens Organization, the local chapter of the League of Women Voters and the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

Registration for the Saturday primary election closed out May 16 with 67,027 names on the books, compared to 62,727 for the 1962 general elections.

Democrats gained 4,144 voters and Republicans picked up 289. Total Democratic registration is 51,703 and the GOP total is 14,-296.

There are 61,393 white voters and 5,644 Negro voters in Buncombe County.

Independent voters have decreased by 78 and those listing no party affiliation dropped by 55. Total registered independent is 941 and with no party affiliation, 87.

THE ASHEVILLE-BUNCOMBE COUNTY CITIZENS' ORGANIZATION

29 SOUTH MARKET STREET ASHEVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA

WB
BW
JB

June 23, 1964

JUN 24 1964

Voter Education Project
Mr. Wiley A. Branton, Project Director
Room 206 5 Forsyth Street N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton:

We received a letter from your Research Assistant, Mrs. Barbara I. Whitaker, written June 16, 1964, asking for an up-to-date report.

Her account is right, and the two reports that you received were also accompanied with a voucher and a letter, dated May 27, 1964, which in our opinion, would also serve as a report.

Due to the fact, there were many workers designated, and responsible for distributing and collecting file cards in their particular areas, made our schedule irregular for weekly reports.

In sending our last report, June 5, this just about covered our efforts except the exact number of Negroes registered during our campaign.

The registration books have not been available to us since the Primary, to get the exact number of additional Negroes registered, however, June 24, will be the date for the return of registration books to the registrars. At this time, we have a committee set up to go to the registrars and obtain a first hand report of the exact additional number of Negroes registered. After completion of this process, we shall forward the results, and our last report to you.

We feel confident that our efforts were profitable, and hope that you will favor the same.

Yours truly,
Hazel R. Goodman
(Mrs.) Hazel R. Goodman,
Secretary
W.E. Roland, Director,
Asheville-Buncombe Voter
Project

VEP 4-18

June 16, 1964

Mr. W. E. Roland
Asheville-Buncombe Voter Project
29 South Market Street
Asheville, North Carolina

RE: VEP 4-18

Dear Mr. Roland:

According to our records, we have not heard from you concerning the activities of your voter project. According to the terms of your grant, we were to receive a weekly report, retroactive to May 1, which included exact registration results, along with other pertinent information. To date, we have received only two reports from you, the last one dated June 5.

Would you please send us a current, up-to-date report so that we may have this data on hand?

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Barbara I. Whitaker
Research Assistant

BIW:js

THE ASHEVILLE-BUNCOMBE COUNTY CITIZENS' ORGANIZATION

29 SOUTH MARKET STREET ASHEVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA

August 4, 1964

AUG 5 1964

Voter Education Project
Mr. Wiley A. Branton, Project Director
Room 206 5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton:

We are certainly sorry for the delay in sending our final report of the 1964 Voter Registration Campaign.

It has been very difficult to evaluate our efforts, in that, for some reason, the registration books have been closed to us, even at the expense of promising them for our use. The process of evaluation was prolonged because each of the file cards had to be gone through and examined, then rechecked for the '64 registration.

We paid a secretary at the rate of one dollar ($1.00) per hour, to conduct groups of workers, and to be responsible for the records, throughout the drive and to evaluate the efforts. Our time sheet shows 20½ hours put into evaluation, we have therefore compromised with her for the balance of $14.00, leaving the amount of $.79, to clear charges at the bank.

We have exhausted all possible means of getting the people registered, and providing you with the information your requested.

We want to again thank your organization for the support given us in this drive, without this aid, our work could not have been as effective.

If there is any other information you need, please feel free to call on us.

Yours truly,

W.E. Roland, Director
Asheville-Buncombe
Voter Project

WER/hg

Photocopy for Research file before filing.

JS

Done

AUG 5 1964

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VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: Asheville-Buncombe Voter Project

Period covered by this report: From June 23, 1964 to August 4, 1964

Person reporting W.E. Roland, Chairman; (Mrs.) Hazel R. Goodman, Secretary

29 Market Street	Asheville	Buncombe	N.C.
Street Address	City	County	State

Date submitted: August 4, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: 11 Buncombe Asheville

Ward, Beat, etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 2,742 - previously non-reg.

Number instructed at home approximately 600

Number instructed at clinics approximately 65

Number instructed other places approximately 300 a. Specify places

Churches, organizations, P.T.A.'S

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week Unable to determine weekly

Number successfully registered by this project this week Total given below

Number denied registration in this project this week None

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate approximately 20 elderly persons

a. Reason for refusing to participate Have not participated in voting through the years.

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 1,037

Number of workers in the campaign 76

Remarks

VEP 4-18

WB

M E M O R A N D U M January 6, 1965

TO: Wiley A. Branton
FROM: Jean Levine
RE: Final Report of Accounting on VEP 4-18
(Asheville-Buncombe Voter Project

Grant:		$200.00
Disbursements:		
Adv. Print. & Prom.	$ 15.00	
Meals	5.41	
Office Supplies	28.12	
Salaries	48.50	
Trav. & Trans.	96.66	193.69
Unaccounted		$ 6.31

jl

KEEP

Budget of The Independent Voters League Inc. 1958-1959
Beginning July 1st, 1958 and Ending June 31st, 1959.

Special Assessments of each Civic League:

Church Contributions
44 churches at $15.00 each equals to $660.00 a year

City of Suffolk, Virginia	$300.00	
Pauls Branch	250.00	
Pleasant Hill	100.00	
Saratoga	100.00	
Boston and White City	50.00	
Elephant Fork	75.00	
Buckhorn	50.00	
Holland and Holy Neck	150.00	
Lumis	50.00	
Whaleyville	75.00	
Hosier Lane	~~25.00~~ — 50.00	
Balm of Gilead	~~35.00~~ — 50.00	
Drivers	75.00	
Pughsville	75.00	
Huntersville	75.00	
Hobson	65.00	
Chuckatuck	100.00	
Belleville	40.00	
Total	$1,690.00	
		$1,690.00

Lodge Social Fraternal and Labor organizations at $25.00 and $15.00 each, comes to $265.00

Other Assessments and estimates:

Memberships	$600.00	
Four General Mass Meetings ... Poll tax drive franchise union meet	250.00	
Annual and Semi-Annual Conferences	350.00	
Annual Dinner Meeting	200.00	
Campaign Meetings Special, Prior to elections	150.00	
Total	$1,550.00	
Church fund contributions — $660.00		
Sale of I.V.L. History Books — 600.00		
		$1,550.00
Grand Total		$3,240.00

660.00 churches
265.00 others
$4,165.00

YEARLY EXPENSES OF THE INDEPENDENT VOTERS LEAGUE:

Rent For The Headquarters	$216.00
Phone Bill	120.00
Postal Stamps	25.00
Office Furniture	100.00
Office Supplies (paper, ink and printing, etc.)	200.00
Painting and Repairs	35.00
Poll Watching (campaigning)	200.00
Traveling	150.00
Full-time Director	1,800.00
Total Expenses	$2,846.00 $3,146.00

Income is $4,165.00
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Proposed Income	$3,240.00
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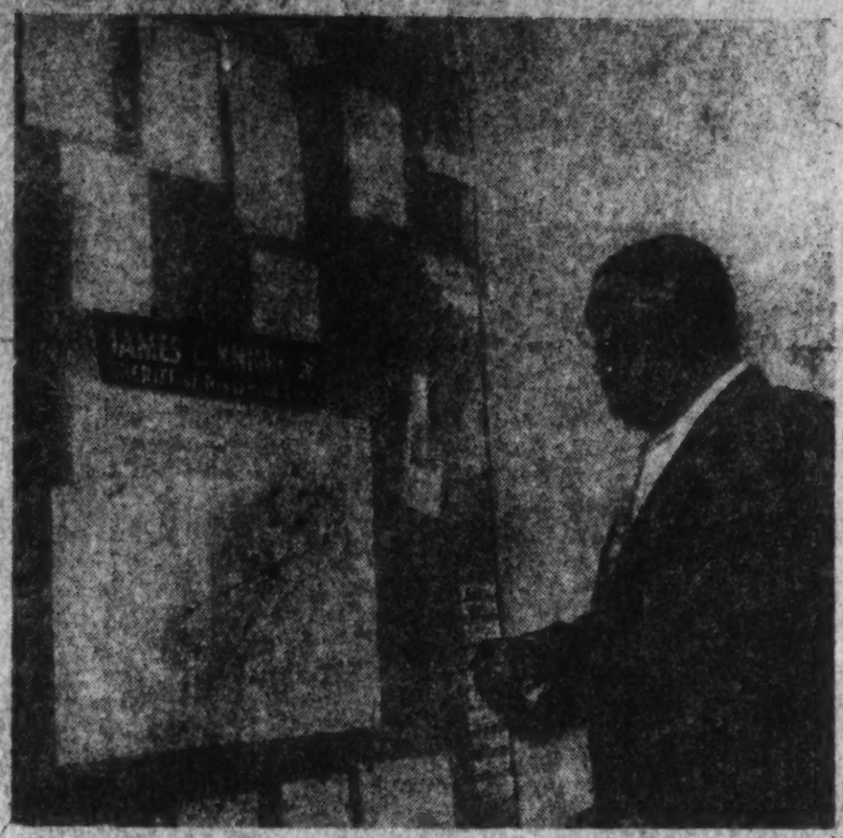

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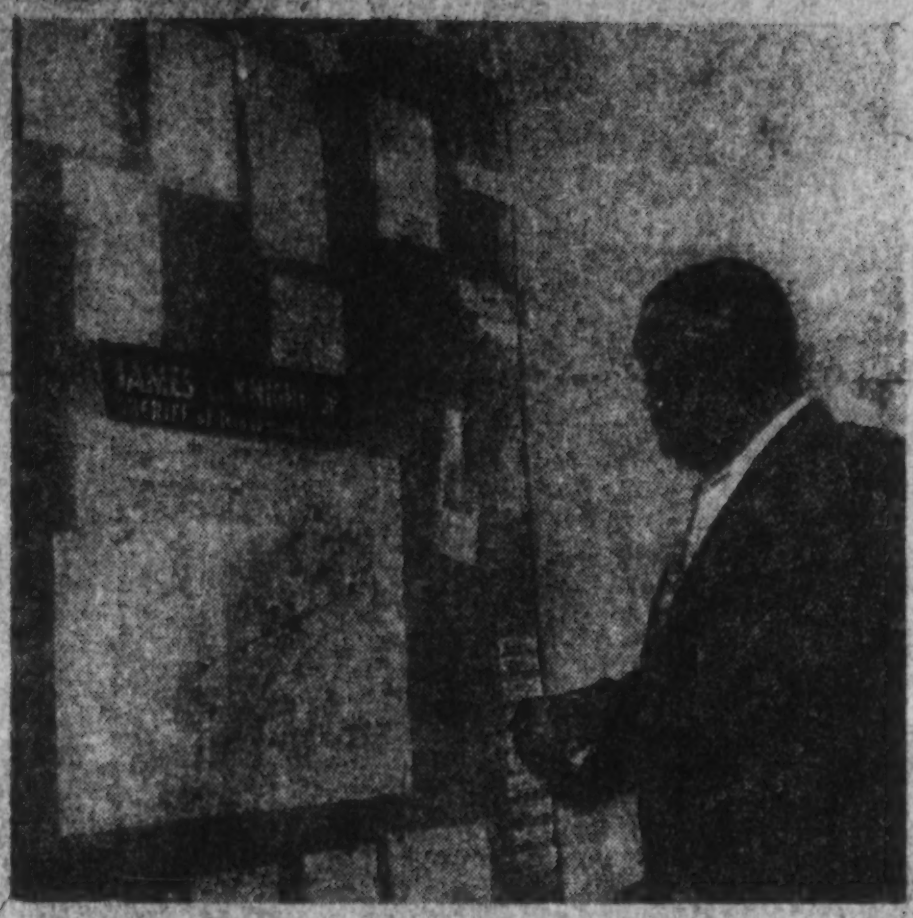

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L. Frank Culpepper, sheriff for 24 years until January 1, had appointed John Riddick a part-time deputy in 1951. Negro voters supported Culpepper in the 1955 elections.

John Riddick and a white deputy were charged in 1958 with accepting a bribe. Observers in all camps report this sentence since. Culpepper fired both men. Juries cleared them. He didn't reappoint them. The former white deputy and J. C. Knight Jr. ran against Culpepper in the 1959 Democratic primary. Knight won by some 300 votes over Culpepper.

Knight confirms that the Negro vote was decisive. An independent candidate opposed him last November. Knight won by a one-sided majority.

Observers agree that the Negro vote was the balance which made Joshua Pretlow commonwealth's attorney in 1955. He ran then against William W. Jones, who had been appointed in 1954.

Negroes were angered when Pretlow called for, and a jury recommended a death sentence in 1957 for a Negro convicted of raping and robbing a white woman. Riddick said others said Riddick says evidence was circumstantial only. (The verdict was set aside on a legal point and the man given a life sentence later.)

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Riddick said the league has been effective in three elections beginning in 1951. But he said its support of Godwin was decisive in his 1947 debut.

Godwin, asked for comment, said "When I ran for public office in 1947 I welcomed the support of all voters. That's always been my position. . . . My only appeal for votes was to the entire electorate and not to any part thereof. My effort since that time has been to represent all the people, white and Negro."

He added he does not think the Negro vote was large enough in 1947 to be decisive, and he did not lose a single county precinct. The combined county-city vote was some 2,600 to 2,000, with Cohoon carrying the city.

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He adds, "You've got to be small before you can be big," and so no Negro has run for a constitutional office. He thinks slow, steady progress is "one of the best ways, the cheapest way to bring about integration, bring about freedom."

But he insists his people don't want to marry whites or mix in their neighborhoods.

The league, which operates a small office here, has affiliated civic units in 21 communities in the county (which has 16 precincts), and he has started four local units all told in Isle of Wight, Southampton and Norfolk counties, he says.

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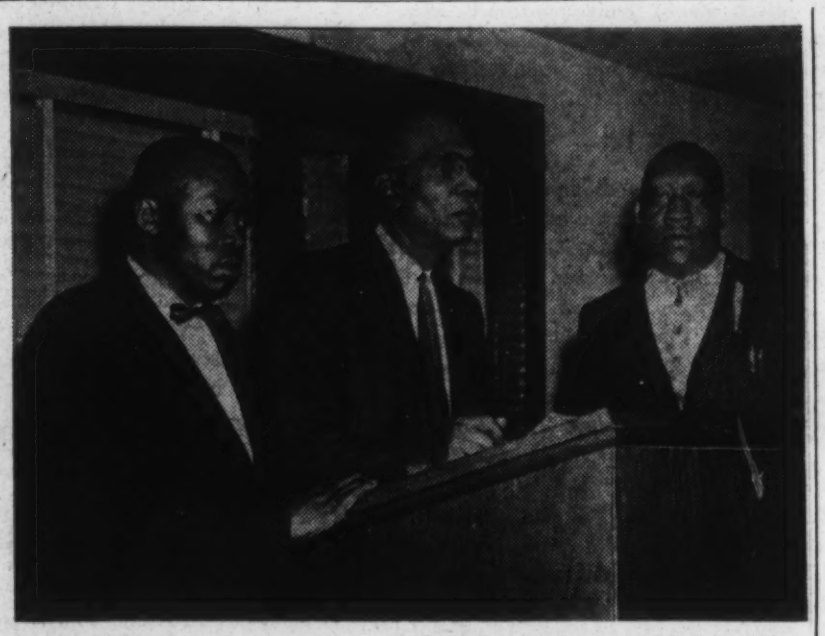

IN THE PICTURE ABOVE IS: Left to Right–Moses A. Riddick, Jr., Executive Secretary, I.V.L.; Robert D. Robertson, Va. State President, NAACP of Norfolk, who was Guest Speaker at the I.V.L. Convention, and John Thomas Riddick, President of the Independent Voters League of Virginia.

INDEPENDENT TIMES "THE VOICE OF FREEDOM" IN THE BLACK BELT

Greetings:

We, the members of the Executive Board of the Independent Voters' League, are happy to present the first issue of the Independent Times for the year 1961; and with your kind and able support, we shall publish for the next 12 months a monthly issue of the "Times," so that all citizens might become fully conscious of their civil and political responsibilities in the "Black Belt" area of Virginia.

The purposes of this publication are:

1. To serve as a political voice for the oppressed peoples of the "Black Belt" communities in South-side Virginia;
2. To bring about justice and equality for Negroes through the proper use of the ballot—to hastily bring to an end the undemocratic practice of appointing all governmental personnel from one segment of the population.
3. To aid the state and local governments in the establishment of better race relations by an intelligent presentation of the hard-boiled facts about the races;
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5. To aid in the establishment of a Bi-racial Commission;
6. To point out the evils done to most white citizens of the South as a result of the daily practice of segregation;
7. To assist in the establishment of a more liberal and progressive system of government in south-side Virginia;
8. To encourage both young and elderly persons to actively participate in the political life of the community.
9. To abolish the poll tax as a requirement for voting;
10. And to save the United States from Communism.

4TH DISTRICT P. A. ORGANIZATION FORMED

A new political action organization has been set up in the 4th Congresional District of Virginia—the first of its kind since Reconstruction Days. It was announced by Moses A. Riddick, Executive Secretary for the new organization. The initial meeting was held in Lawrenceville, Va., Saturday, March 4, under the sponsorship of the Virginia State Conference of the N. A. A. C. P. Branches. The meeting was attended by some 250 delegates representing 18 counties and three cities. The second day-long conference under State NAACP sponsorship was held in Petersburg, Va., at the U. S. O. on Bayne St., Saturday, April 1st—11 A. M.

After the adjournment of the NAACP sponsored workshop session by W. Lester Banks, Executive Secretary of the State NAACP, the group re-opened the meeting and set up a permanent Political Action Organization for the District. This session was presided over by Moses A. Riddick, Jr., who was elected as Executive Secretary for the new district organization. Other officers elected were:

Rev. J. W. Northington, Chairman; Alton Morton, Vice Chairman; Mrs. Dorothy Walker, Secretary; Mrs. Ireane D. Summersett, Assist. Secty.; T. O. Thweatt, Tresurer and Atty. S. W. Tucker, Legal Advisor.

Some 100 delegates were in at-

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CAPITAL ST. TO GET LIGHTS & GATES

P. T. A. & CIVIC LEAGUES' PROJECT WINS APPROVAL

After a two hour filibuster and a threat to talk for 14 hours more if the Nansemond County Board of Supervisors continued to sit on the stool-of-do-nothing about the extremely dangerous Captial Street Crossing, where over 10 persons have had serious accidents, 6 of which were fatal, the governing body of Nansemond County hastily moved to take the crossing into the state highway system and install lights and gates there. The cost of installation would be approximately $15,000.

The committee appeared at the February meeting and was headed by Haywood Riddick, James W. Lawrence, Rayfield Vines and Mrs. Johnny O. Carson, representing the East Suffolk Elementary and High School P. T. A's, the Oakdale, Hollywood, Magnolia and Jericho Civic leagues respectively. The delegation was strongly supported by a bus load of some 100 persons armed with a petition of over 1,000 signatures. Members of the delegation also carried their lunch buckets, hot coffee and enough donuts and cold drinks to serve all members of the Board of Supervisors. Said one of the speakers, "We do not have to recess this meeting for supper today because we have enough food to share with you gentlemen, and we will not stop talking until you decide to do something about this most dangerous railroad crossing, lately described as "Death Valley."

After arguments, charges and counter charges, questions, illustrations, long explanations of maps and diagrams by Lawrence, Vines, Carson, Riddick and Riddick, chairman of the board Vernon G. Eberwine eagerly and earnestly pleaded with the delegation to stop the talk-fest,—the board had a heavy docket to consider and would take favorable action on the matter which would be satisfactory to everyone. After further discussion of the proposal, the delegation, reluctantly agreed to stop talking, on condition that within 30 days the Supervisors carry out their proposal— and if it appeared that actions were not proceeding in a satisfactory manner, the delegation would appear at the next meeting and resume the first 14-hour filisbuster ever staged at a local county Board of Supervisors meeting. On the following day, it was announced in the local papers that the supervisors had appointed a board of viewers consisting of 2 white men and one Negro (John B. Wyatt). This Board of Viewers made a study of the crossing and recommendations were that the crossing be taken into the State highway system. This was done within 7 seven days. The Board of Supervisors later agreed to install gates and lights at the railroad crossing for protection of all citizens using it.

UNCHAINED–YEATES PRECINCT NOW OPEN

The Pendulum of Freedom has swung in Nansemond County with the re-establishment of the Yeates Precinct at Belleville. In its arc another vistige of pre-Civil War Americans has slipped into oblivion. Here on the same site where early in the 17 Century black slaves were traded, beaten and abused, their descendants have won the privilege of electing by ballot those whom they will to guide their destinies.

Though nearly a century has passed since the physical chains and feters were Constitutionally loosed from the Negro in America many invisible chains have been cast in the way to forestall his arrival at full independence. In the State of Virginia some of these chains have been disguised as a "separate but (equal?) school facilities, poll tax, blank sheet registration, segregated seating on public transportation facilities, inferior jobs and job opportunities and the preachments of "racial" inferiority or supremacy—whichever was the greatest insult for the moment.

But in the face of these obstacles, some of which have been handled, there dawns a new day of hope filled with aspirations to rise to the measure, the stature and of the fullness of freedom and independence for the Negro in the State of Virginia and throughout America. Through the cooperative efforts of the Civic Leagues and citizens residing in the communities of Belleville, Huntersville and Pughsville and the Independence Voters League of Suffolk & Nansemond Co., minds have been unchained by having acquired the second precinct in Nansemond County to be run by Negroes for progress in America.

Hugh W. Mizell, Harvey Epps, Paul Moore, Benjamin Davis are men to be highly commended for their continued efforts to have this doorway to freedom re-opened. To them we say, Well done.

Solomon J. Carey

"BACK TO GOD THROUGH CITIZENSHIP"

APRIL DESGNATED CITIZENSHIP MONTH

The entire month of April, 1961, has been designated as Citizenship Month it was announced by the Independent Voters League at its regular monthly Executive meeting, Wednesday night, March 8. The theme for the month-long campaign is "Back to God Through Citizenship." A series of mass meetings have been scheduled for each Sunday of the month of April; during these public meetings, local ministers, their choirs and congregations will render special services at 3:45 p. m. in the Union Hall, Suffolk, Virginia. These minis-

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MEET THE CANDIDATES

Who Are They

For Governor & Leiut.—

The most important state election ever held in Virginia history will take place, Tuesday, July 11, 1961. On that day a decision will be made by Virginia voters as to whether the State should continue to follow an extremely conservative course or assume a more moderate role in the affairs of Government. The leaders of the conservatiye "Byrd Organizaton" are faced with the problems:

1. What to do about the public schools in the face of growing demands.
   that Virginia impliment the U. S. Supreme Court decision on school desegratiion.
2. Whether the State should accept or reject Federal aid to education?
3. How to meet the growing educational needs without accepting Federal aid?
4. Whether the State should impose a sales tax since the beer and liquor tax imposed by the 1960 session of the General Assembly fell flat on its face?
5. What to do about unemployment, roads, part-improvements, capitol outlay and a host of other items on the State's agenda.

Who are the Candidates and where do they stand on these issues?

Atty General of Virginia, Albertis S. Harrison of Lawrenceville, Va, candidate of Governor of Virginia.

1. Active member of the Byrd Organization.
2. Opposed to President Kennedy's Federal aid to Education Program.
3. Believes firmly in "States Rights"
4. Believes that the U. S. Supreme Court Decision of May 17, 1954 is wrong.
5 Opposes the sales tax.
6. Has not, as yet, offered any constructive proposals to the state's major problems.

State Senator Mill E. Godwin, Suffolk, Virginia, candidate for Leuit. Governor running on the ticket with Albertis S. Harrison: Sen. Godwin represents the 5th Senatorial Va. District, a "Black Belt" area—

1. A strong, able and dependable member of the "Byrd Organization"
2. Piloted the massive resistance to school integration bills through the Virginia General Assembly;
3. Believes in States Rights.

AN OPEN LETTER TO NEGRO CITIZENS

The time has come when every Negro must become a first-class citizen and vote. Make no mistake about it, Mr. and Mrs. non-voter, not one of us can afford to be left off the voting list in 1961. Every Negro citizen, regardless of his classification and circumstances in life must, without reservations, assume his voting obligations in the coming elections this year. Freedom is not really free; it involves great responsibilities. As the great philosopher, Thomas Paine, once said, which is equally true today, "These are times that try men's souls."

In the July 11th Democratic Primary, everyone of us, will be called upon to choose between a set of candidates for Governor and general assembly who represent two different philosophies of government; these philosophies are: Whether all men, regardless of race, should be free to choose their own educational, political and economical discourse or whether the right to select such discourses shall continuously be limited to a self ordained, aristocratic group of Virginians which firmly believes that it should forever rule the State Government with the horse-and-cart methods in 1961. The minds of most Virginia citizens have been politically enslaved by this latter group for nearly 50 years. This major question does not only effect Virginia and its localities, but it is the question that confronts the entire nation and world.

How do you stand on this most trying and soul-searching question? Will you, Mr. and Mrs. None-voter, be able to make a choice between these philosophies? Remember the golden opportunity to choose will not be yours to make, unless you are a qualified voter.

Here in Nansemond County, Virginia, we have concrete proof that the ballot, used properly, is the best weapon with which we can bring about freedom and democracy for our people here in the "Black Belt" area of Virginia.

So if you don't vote, you just don't count in Virginia, and nowhere else. Will you be one who counts in 1961, or must your name continue to be listed as one who is no-account? It is up to you. The Poll Tax deadline is Saturday, May 6th, 1:00 p. m.. Now is the time to get ready and stay ready!

Pay your Poll Taxes for, 1958 1959 and 1960 before the Tax deadline. Register now so that you may be able to make your choice by voting for the candidates of real freedom and democracy in the all-important Primary and General elections of 1961.

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Between the March 4 and April 1st meetings, temporary chairman, Moses A. Riddick, John M. Brooks, W. L. Banks, James Lawrence, Atty. S. W. Tucker and Mrs. Dorothy Walker visited and organized 13 of the counties of the 4th District; those organized were: South Hill, and Mecklenburg County, Brunswick, Greenville, Southampton, Isle of Wight, Surry, Sussex, Dinwiddie, Nottoway, Luenburg, Prince George, Prince Edwards and Nansemond. The cities that were affected are Suffolk, Hopewell and Petersburg.

Further organizational plans were discussed at an executive session held at the Forest View Lounge, Route 460 near Disputana, Va., Saturday, April 8.

Announcement of the next District-wide meeting will be made within 10 days after this executive meeting, stated the Executive Secretary, Moses A. Riddick, Jr of Suffolk, Virginia.

The Fourth Congressional District is represented in the U. S. Congress by Walkins M. Abbitt of Appomattox, Va.

FROM THE NEW YORK TIMES SUNDAY, APRIL 2—EDITORIAL

A CONTEST IN VIRGINIA

This year there will be a vigorous contest within the Democratic party in Virginia, where one of the South's most decisive experiments in massive resistance to public school desegregation was staged. Gov. J. Linsey Almond, who presided over the experiment, cannot under the State Constitution succeed himself. But the powerful state political organization of which Senator Harry F. Byrd is the acknowledged leader will have opposition.

State Attorney General Albert S. Harrison and State Senator Mills E. Godwin, candidates in the Democratic primary for the nomination for Governor and Lieutenant Governor, generally are regarded as bearing the Byrd organization's imprimatur. They are being opposed by Lieut. Gov. A. E. S. Stephens, seeking the gubernatorial nomination, and State Senator Armistead L. Boothe, who is a candidate for the nomination for Lieutenant Governor. All four candidates are experienced and well posted on the issues of state government.

The campaign can hardly skirt around massive resistance for some of the battlefield scars are visible. Virginia educators are unhappy over the method of administering scholarship grants to pupils attending private schools and have publicly complained. Prince Edward County abandoned its public schools and has never reopened them. The locked schools of that county can hardly be ignored in a campaign in which industrial growth is a big issue. A contest in Virginia promises a campaign before the July primary election that should be enlightening in that state and in others of the Southern region.

SCRIPTURE READING FOR THE MONTH

ST. LUKE, 20th Chapter, 21-25

"And they asked him, saying, Master, we know that thou sayest and teachest rightly, neither accepest thou the person of any, but teachest the way of God truly:

Is it lawful for us to give tribute unto Caesar, or no?

But he perceived their craftiness, and said unto them, why tempt ye me? Show me a penny. Whose image and superscription hath it? They answered and said, Ceasars's.

And He said unto them, Render therefore unto Ceasar the things which be Ceasar's, and unto God the things which be God's.

EIGHT REASONS WHY YOU SHOULD BE A GOOD CITIZEN

1. A good citizen is one who is anxious to see that his family, his schools and his community receive their share of the necessary things of life.
2. A good citizen will support his church, YMCA, YWCA and other civic organizations.
3. A good citizen will pay his taxes, register, then VOTE in all elections.
4. A good citizen will take an active part in helping to elect Christian men and women to public office.
5. A good citizen will not condemn or criticize his fellowman for trying to improve conditions in the community.
6. A good citizen believes it is better to attempt to do something constructive and fail rather than to do nothing and succeed.
7. A good citizen believes that Almighty God does not want us to do extra-ordinary things, but he does expect us to do ordinary things extra-ordinarily well.
8. ARE YOU A GOOD CITIZEN???

SUSSEX CO. GETS REGISTRAR AFTER NEGRO WOMAN FILES FOR THE JOB

In order to block efforts of Negroes to register as voters in Sussex County, Virginia, the former registrar quietly resigned some 6 months ago; when 15 Negroes appeared at the county court house to register last month they found an empty office, and no one could tell when they last saw the registrar. After a strong protest from W. Lester Banks and an application filed for the job by a Negro woman, Mrs. E. H. Johnson, of Stony Creek, Va., the County Electorial Board quickly met and appointed a white man whom they searched diligently for. He is Mr. L. S. Holloway.

Registrar Holloway set May 1st, 1961 as the next registration date, which will take place at the county court house from 9 a. m. until 4 p.m. Our hats are off to the citizens of Sussex County for their determined efforts to become first-class citizens in these times.

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Chuckatuck, Va.
Chuckatuck—Earnest Wilson
Chuckatuck, Va.
Hobson—Nathaniel Walker
Hobson, Va.; Phone: 8185
Elephant Fork—Sheperd Beamon
Rt. 4 Box 489, Suffolk, Va.
Phone: 5045

WHAT THE CIVIC LEAGUES ARE DOING

Boston Civic League Project:
Trash disposal, sewage, Recreation Center for the children and 100% voting on the part of all persons 21 years of age and over.

Hobson Civic League Projects:
Better police treatment which saw Deputy Sheriff, Jack Coley fined by Sheriff James C. Knight; Better treament of workers in the river which saw a committee in action before fish commissioner Delk of Smthfield; opening of a closed road by county officials and build-the vote in the area.

Huntersville, Pughsville and Belleville Leagues Major Project:
The establishment of a new voting Precinct which will be operated entirely by Negroes. The new precinct will be known as the Yeates Precinct; this means that 5 more Negroes will be added to present list of 23 office-holders in Nansemond County—making a toal of 28.

Jericho Civic League Project:
The establishment of gates and and lights at the Capital Street and N. & W. Railroad crossing; sponsoring a cleanup campaign and vote building.

Lumis Civic League Project:
The paving of Jackson Road and vote-building.

Holland—Holy Neck Civic League:
Hard-surfacing the new road and doubling the vote.

Chuckatuck Civic League:
Completion of three streets in the State Highway system; sit-down protest movement against Jim-crow practice in community drug-store and doubling the number of qualified voters.

Drivers Civic League:
Building the vote; increasing the aatendance at league meetings and getting the Board of Supervisors to order more ditching along the roads and back of the area farms.

City of Suffolk—
Vote building and church neel-ins
Participants in the "Neel-in"Sunday two weeks ago were: Fredie Chambliss, Evelyn Byrd and Evelyn Edwards. Place of the worship service was the Suffolk Christian Church. The young worshipers were welcomed by the pastor, Rev. G. D. Alley, the ushers and the congregation. They were also invited to stay for the communion service. They accepted the invitation.

WE ADVISE . . .
READ THE "INDEPENDENT TIMES" AND BE WISE

Notice to Sussex County Citizens

All persons desiring to register are requested to be at the County Courthouse **Monday, May 1, 1961.**

The County Registrar, Mr. L. S. Holloway, will sit **9 A.M.** to **5 P.M.** for the purpose of registering pro spective **VOTERS.**

Please **Bring** your **POLL TAX RECEIPTS** for the **years, 1958-59-60.**

MAY 6, IS THE POLL TAX DEADLINE

PAY YOUR POLL TAXES NOW
REGISTER NOW
VOTE ON JULY 11 AND NOV. 7

POLL TAX DEADLINE IS MAY 6! ! !

Persons Who Have Never Voted

MUST PAY FOR 1958–1959 & 1960

REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS 30 DAYS BEFORE ANY ELECTION

TO REGISTER AS A VOTER

STOP by the **AMERICAN BANK** any
SATURDAY MORNING
Between the hours of **10:00 A. M.** and **12:30 P. M.**
The Independent Voters League
Voters-Registration Delegation
WILL BE STATIONED ON THE CORNER
To take **YOU** To to the **TAX** and
REGISTRATION OFFICES
For **YOU** to become a **QUALIFIED VOTER**
And Give Other Assistance Necessary
BE SURE TO SEE US THERE

Join The
INDEPENDENT VOTERS LEAGUE
TODAY
Initiation Price Per Card - $1.00 a Year
Monthly Civic League Dues 25c
SUPPORT
YOUR POLITICAL ACTION PROGRAM

BE SURE TO PAY YOUR POLL TAX BY THE DEADLINE MAY 6, 1:00 P. M.

Dear Mr. & Mrs. QUALIFIED VOTERS:

Read all the latest news on voting, the coming elections, the issues and the candidates — in the Independent Times — for only a dime. A small package, loaded with a wealth of helpful information — Just Ten Cents.

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Ward 3, Suffolk—
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335 E. Wash. St., Suffolk, Va.

April, Citizenship Month

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ters will also deliver messages on citizenship.

Other speakers appearing on the programs are: James C. Knight, Sheriff of Nansemond County; Attorney W. W. Jones, Commonwealth Attorney of Nansemond County and Attorney J. Lewis Rawles, candidate for the Virginia House of Delegates, representing Suffolk and Nansemond County.

The major purpose of the campaign is to create greater interest among all peoples in qualifying and voting in the primary and general elections this year.

A goal of 1,300 new voters has been set for the Suffolk-Nansemond County area. All 26 civic leagues of the Indenpendent Voters' League have appointed 10 Vote-canvassers to work every street and road in the city and county; each canvasser is requested to get 10 new voters by May 6, the Poll Tax Deadline.

The first meeting was scheduled for Easter Sunday, April 2, in the Mt. Sinia Baptist Church, Holland, Va., at 3:30 p. m. This meeting was under the sponsorship of the Holland-Holy Neck Civic League, Mrs. Ruby Walden, President. The speaker for this occasion was the Rev. W. L. Hamilton, Vice President of the Norfolk Chapter of the N. A. A. C.P. The combined choirs of Zion Christian, Laural Hill, Corinth Chapel and Mt. Sinai Baptist Churches will render the music.

Other ministers invited to speak during the month are: Rev. H. W. Bell, minister of the Macedonia A. M. E. Church; Rev. D. W. Lamb, of the Metropolitan Baptist Church; Dr. C. J. Word, pastor of East End Baptist Church; Rev. J. O. Lee, minister of Tabernacle Christian Church; and Rev. G. B.Daughtrey of the Lakeview and Mt. Sanai Baptist churches.

Leaflets will be distributed in every church, lodge, social, labor and fraternal meeting held during the month of April; placards will be posted all over the city and county; and the Independent Voters' League will use the service of all local newspapers and radio stations.

Every civic league associated with the Independent Voters' League is required to strongly support the meeting and the campaign in general.

BE SURE TO PAY POLL TAX BY DEADLINE MAY 6th

DUKES SANDWICH SHOP

450 E. Washington St.

HOME OF THE

BIG BOY BURGER

½lb. Ground Beef

★ Mayonnaise
★ Pickle
★ Lettuce
★ Tomato

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Phone 2833

NORFOLK ROAD—A DEATH TRAP

BY JAMES W. LAWRENCE

The short stretch of highway that extends from the City Limits eastward to the Norfolk and Western folk Road has no equal in the State of Virginia. It is probably the most dangerous stretch of road on the Eastern Seaboard.

Due to the tremendous amount of vehicular traffic and the large number of children who must use this route to go to school daily, the death potential here is very great.

There are no side walks here.Children must either walk on the road way or in the ditch, in bad weather the latter is unthinkable, because at several points mud and water are ankle deep. As a result school children must compete with buses, log trucks, Tractors, and Trailers, cars, good drivers, bad drivers,new drivers, old drivers, drunk drivers, reckless drivers, as well as those who are learning to drive, and cars that are unfit to drive because of faulty brakes and steering. But for the Grace of God, any morning dozens of kids could lose their lives on this road as the result of one driver's brakes failing or the steering section of one car becoming inoperative.

This conditions exists because of the apathy of the citizens of this community and for no other reason.

The county officials agree that the road way is very dangerous, but they insist that nohing can be done about the situation because of a lack of funds, this alibi is totally unacceptable and is but a flimsy coverup. Norfolk Road is second only to route 58 and 460 in traffic flowing into and through the city of Suffolk. When there was a possibility of a Tea Company locating on the Wilroy Road, funds were found immediately to buy rights of way, to build bridges and to widen the road. The cost was many times greater than the cost of side walks on Norfolk Road. This causes one to wonder which is more important, a few more dollars in the tax till or the lives of the hundreds of school children who must use this death trap in trying to get an education? The citizens of Nansemond County have tolerated the conditions on Norfolk Road much too long and I can assure them that nothing will be done about this menace to safety until they demand that action be taken. The road should be made reasonably safe or it should be closed to traffic during the hours that school is in session.

I refuse to believe that the lack of money could be the cause for the continuation of this dangerous situation, some of the money now being wasted in tuition grants would certainly relieve the condition.

Our governing body says that if people owning property along the road way would give the right of way, that a side walk might be built. I think that all of the right of way for the Wilroy Road was bought, I don't recall that one inch on that project was GIVEN. Why must the Norfolk Road property owners give theirs?

I believe that a traffic count on Wilroy Road and one on Norfolk Road will show that the vehicular traffic on Norfolk Road is at least fifty times greater than on the Wilroy Road and that the pedestrian traffic on Norfolk Road is one hundred and fifty times greater than that on the Wilroy Road. What then was the real reason for the urgency in widening this road, while the Norfolk Road death trap remains???

The blood of every person killed on the Norfolk Road is on the hands of a complacent citizenry and the persons responsible for safety along this much traveled artery. Aren't we all guilty of Murder through Neglect?

Those who stood idly by and did nothing while Christ was killed were just as much to blame as the one who drove the nails. How long will we do nothing while people die needlessly on Norfolk Road??????

POLL TAX & REGISTRATION INFORMATION

BY JOHN R. RIDDICK

In order for a citizen of Virginia to become a qualified voter, he or she must meet the following requirements as stated under Section 20 of the State's Constitution.

Section 20—Who may register—Every citizen of the United States, having the qualifications of age and residence required in Section eighteen, shall be entitled to register, provided: First, that he has personally paid to the proper officer all state poll taxes legally assessed or assessable againat him for the three years next preceding that in which he offers to register; or, if he comes of age at such time that no poll tax shall have been assessable against him for the year preceding the year in which he offers to register, has paid one dollar and fifty cents, in satisfaction of the first year's poll tax assessable against him; and, Second. That unless physically unable, he make application to register in his own handwriting, without aid, suggestion, or memorandum, in the presence of the registration officer, stating therein his (1.) Name, (2.) age, (3.) Date of Birth, (4.) Place of birth, (5.) Residence, (6.) Residence one year ago, (7.) Occupation, (8.) and Occupation at *the time and for the one year next preceding.* (9.) *and whether he has previously voted,* (10.) *and if so, State, County, and Precinct in which he voted last.*

Sample Blank Sheet Registration form.

(1.) *John Doe,* (2.) *I am 40 years old,* (3.) *April 2,* 1961, (4.) *Gates County, N. C.,* (5.) 111 *Washington Street, Franklin, Virginia,* (6.) 111 *Washington.. Street, Franklin, Virginia,* (7.) *Ajax Box Company,* (8.) *The same of Ajax Box Co.,* (9.) *I have never voted before,* (10.) *Banks County, Virginia, Brooks Precinct.*

Please Read and Sign the oath. It reads as follows:

"I, *John Doe,* do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I am entitled to register under the Constitution and laws of this state, and that I am not disqualified from exercising the right of suffrage by the Constitution of Virginia."

Sign your name, John Doe.

The first step in becoming a voter:

1. Pay your poll taxes, now listed on your tax bill, State Captiation tax—($1.50)
2. Property owners, please pay poll taxes when you pay your property taxes.
3. Be sure to keep your tax receipts for the following years: 1958, 1959, and 1960.
4. Poll tax amounts:
   Persons 21 years old in 1961 may register and vote free.
   Persons 22 years old in 1961 ($1.58)
   Persons 23 years old in 1961 ($3.25)
   Persons 24 years old in 1961 ($4.86)

In Nansemond County the total amount for three years is $4.86. In the city of Suffolk, Virginia, it is $4.98.

5. Service men and women out of service less than one year and a half may vote free.
6. Do not confuse the poll tax with the State income tax. The poll tax is the "State Capitation Tax," marked on your tax bill, $1.50.
   The poll tax deadline is May 6, 1961.

Where to pay your poll taxes:
Nansemond County Treasurer's Office
Mr. W. O. Jones, Court House Building
North Main Street, Suffolk, Va.
Suffolk City Treasurer's Office
George S. Swaine, Municiple Building
North Saratoga Street

Where to register:
Nansemond County
Attorney Ray V. Knight
124 South Saratoga Street
Suffolk, Virginia
Office hours are from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. daily and from 9 a. m. to 1 p. m. Saturdays.
City of Suffolk,
Attorney Frank Watkins
American Bank Building
Hours, 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. weekdays and 9 a. m. to 12 noon Saturdays.

The registration deadline is 30 days before any election in Virginia.

REMEMBER THAT CIVIL OBLIGATIONS BRING CIVIL RIGHTS

John R. Riddick, Sr.
Deputy Sheriff of Nansemond County

PROGRESSIVE CLEANER AND LAUNDRY

SUFFOLK'S FIRST

DRIVE-IN WINDOW SERVICE

AT

157 E. Washington St.
Suffolk, Virginia

EFFICIENT
ONE-HOUR
DRY-CLEANING
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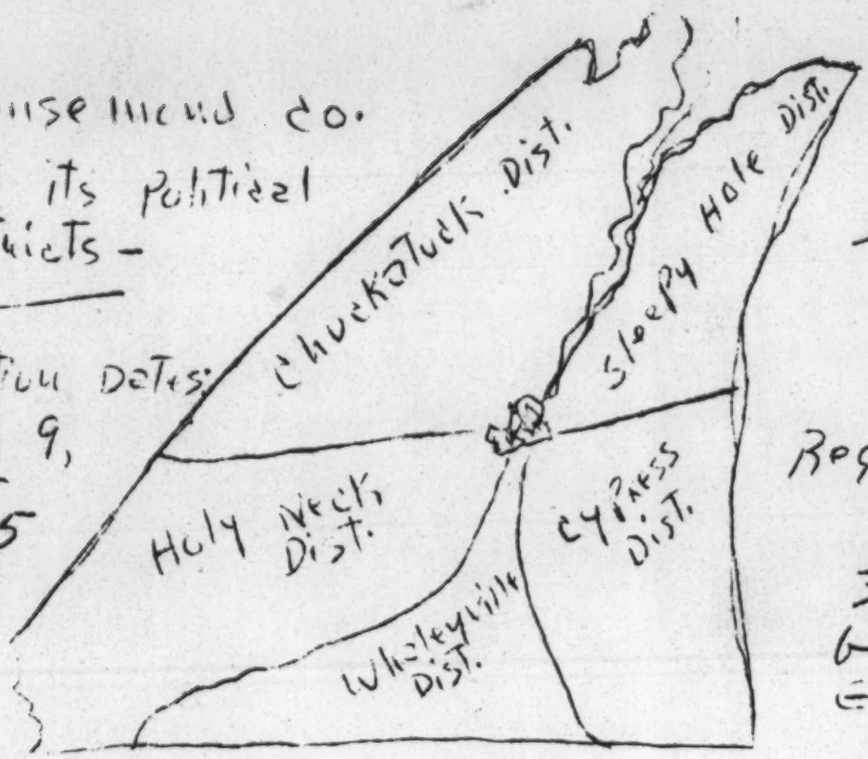
Nansemond Co.
And its Political
Districts -

Election Dates:
July 9,
Nov. 5

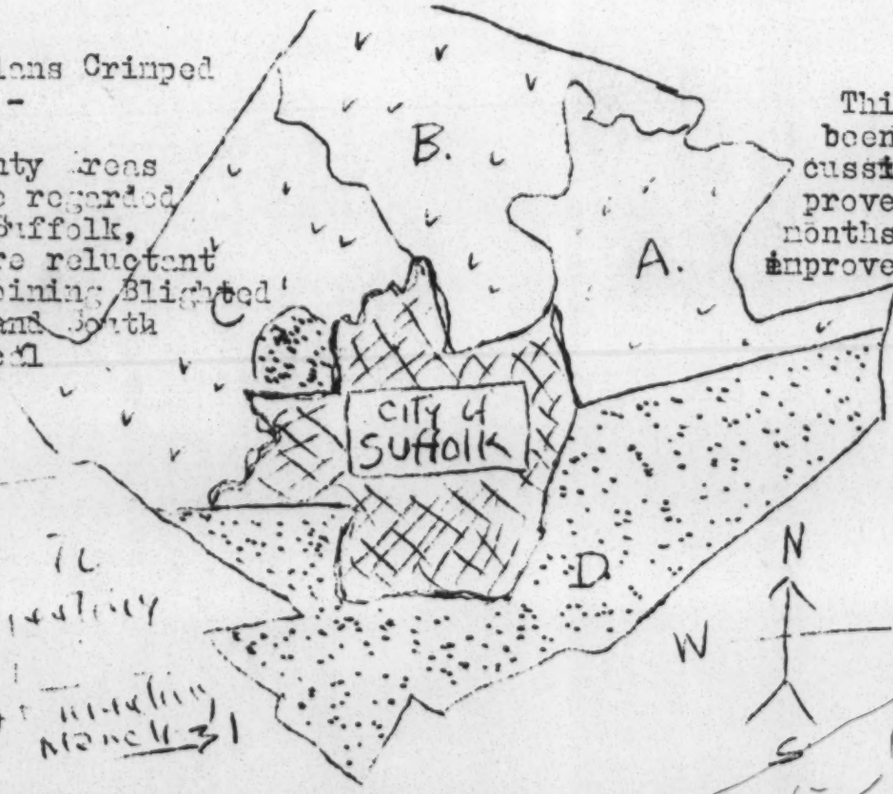


Poll Tax
Deadline:
May 4, 1963

Registration
Deadline:
30 days
before each
Election

Expansion Plans Crimped
- - -

Nansemond County areas A. B. & C. are regarded desirable by Suffolk, but leaders are reluctant to accept adjoining Blighted area D. (East and South Suffolk), logical part of an annexation.



This area has been under discussion for improvements for 8 months; Plans for improvements were sponsored by the sanitation Districts of Nansemond Co.

Welcome to
LVL Meeting
Tues.
Next meeting
March 31

255-7473

KNOW THE FACTS ON VOTING IN NANSEMOND COUNTY

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TOTAL POPULATION IN NANSEMOND COUNTY, VIRGINIA: 31,000

White Population----------10;500
Colored population----------20,500

Number of persons 21 years of age and over, (the voting age)

Whites----------5,000
colored----------10,000

Total number of persons on the Registration books:

Whites----------3;300
Colored----------2,500

Total number of persons who paid the Poll Taxes in 1962 which made them eligiable to vote in 1962:

Districts:

	White	Colored
Cypress----------	641	1165 *
Whaleyville----------	409	478 *
Town of Whaleyville---------	138	3
Holy Neck----------	1318	732
Town of Holland----------	122	12
Upper Churkatuck----------	641	169
Lower Chuckatuck----------	622	277
Sleepy Hole----------**	682	428
Grand Total	4573	3264

We lack a total of 909 votes to tie.

Before one can vote he must pay the Poll Taxes:

Years: 1960, 1961 and 1962 in order to vote in 1963.

Tax deadlines:
December 5th, 1962 without penalty
May 5th, 1963, with penalty

Tax amounts:
Three years, $4.86
Two years, 3.30
One year, 1.58

Tax Treasurer----------W. O. Jones Nansemond County Court house Building North Main Street

County Registrar----------Atty. Raye V. Knight, 124 S. Saratoga Street, City.

Office hours----------9:30 until 4:30 daily and 9:30 until 12:30 p.m. Saturdays.

The Independent Voters Leagues representatives will be on the corner of the Old American Bank Building any saturday morning to give aid to all persons who wish to quailfy from 10:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m.

VOTER-REGISTRATION FREEDOM MARCH
FOR THE YEAR 1963

Sponsored By The
Independent Voters League of Va.

Goal to be accomplished by May 5,1963

City of Suffolk		March No.1 April 6	March No.2 April 20	March No.3 May 4
Ward (1)- - - -total	25	10	8	7
Ward (2)- - - - "	95	30	30	35
Ward (3)- - - - "	35	13	11	11
Ward (4)- - - - "	45	15	15	15
total city;	200	68	64	68

Nansemond County

~~Hobson~~- - - - -total	25	9	9	7
Sandybotton- - - "	20	7	7	6
Chuckatuck- - - - "	40	14	13	13
Elephant - - - - -"	20	7	7	6
Buckhorn - - - - -"	10	4	3	3
Holland-Holy Neck "	50	20	15	15
Lunis- - - - - - "	25	9	8	8
Boston- - - - - - "	25	9	8	8
Saratoga-Phil.- - "	50	20	15	15
Pleasant Hill South Suffolk - - "	225	75	75	75
Hosier Lane - - - "	20	7	6	6
Whaleyville- - - "	15	5	5	5
Sunerton - - - - "	10	4	3	3
Cypress Chapel - "	30	10	10	10
Paul's Branch: East Suffolk & other areas - - - "	325	125	125	75
Drivers - - - - - - "	50	20	15	15
Huntersville - - - "	20	8	8	4
Belleville - - - -"	10	4	3	3
Rushsville - - - - -"	20	7	7	6
County Totals	1000	361	316	312

The time of Each March will be 10 A.m. until 12:30 p.m.

361
316
312
989

Delegates
Ward 1

Mrs. Mamie Bradson
1610 Norfolk Road

Mrs. Mary Worrell
108 Beech St.

Mrs. Lula Daniel
Bank Street

Mr. Isaac Baker
608 Bank St

James Daughtry
Willow St.

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FREE! FREE!

1957 Car to be Given Away

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 29

8 P. M.—UNION HALL

Purpose:

Financing Vote Campaign

DONATION 50c

Name.....

Address.....

Phone.....

№ 2600

FREE! FREE! FREE!

ON DISPLAY AT ALMOND'S SERVICE STATION

A 1957 Cream and Maroon Car

CLEAN JOB IN PERFECT CONDITION

6 Other Consolation Prizes Given Also

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 29, 1963—8 P. M.

UNION HALL, SUFFOLK, VA.

Purpose: To Finance Voter-Registration Campaign

Name.....DONATION 50c

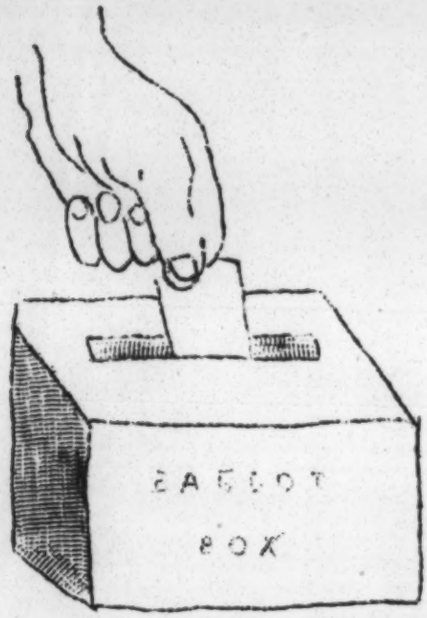
Address.....Phone.....

№ 2600

Sponsor:

Riddick for Supervisor Committee

John H. Edwards, Vice-Chairman



BIG VOTERS MEETING SUNDAY AT 3:45 P. M.
UNION HALL; ALL PERSONS LIVING IN THE
SANITATION DISTRICTS ARE ESPECIALLY
ASKED TO ATTEND THIS MEETING.

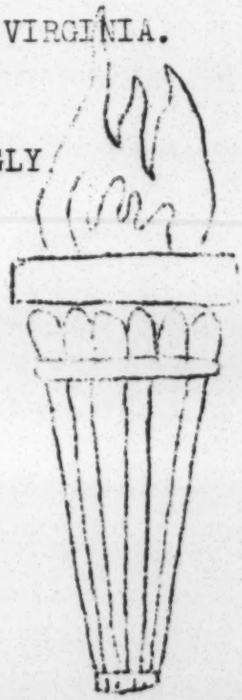
SPEAKER: MR. MOSES A. RIDDICK, JR.

LAST CALL FOR DEMOCRACY !

EVERYTHING FOR WHICH OUR UNION LOCAL 26 HAVE WORKED SO HARD FOR SINCE LAST WINTER ON THE VOTER-REGISTRATION CAMPAIGN WILL BE PUT TO THE TEST ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 1963 - ELECTION DAY.

ON THAT DAY FOR THE FIRST TIME IN MANY YEARS WE WILL AGAIN HAVE A CHANCE TO ELECT AS OUR SUPERVISOR, MOSES A. RIDDICK, JR. ONE OF THE MOST OUTSTANDING POLITICAL ACTION WORKERS IN VIRGINIA.

WE WHOLEHEARTEDLY ENDORSE MOSES A. RIDDICK AS A CANDIDATE FOR SUPERVISOR OF CYPRESS DISTRICT. AND STRONGLY URGE EVERY VOTING MEMBER OF OUR ORGANIZATION TO VOTE AND WORK FOR HIM ON TUESDAY NOVEMBER 5, 1963.



SIGNED Jack J. Parker
PRESIDENT LOCAL 26, AFL-CIO

SIGNED Lee R. Ray
VICE- PRESIDENT

SIGNED Mrs. Robbie M. Riddick
SECRETARY-TREASURER

ISSUED BY: LOCAL 26 RWDSU-AFL-CIO

KEEP

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

SAMPLE BALLOT

COUNTY OF NANSEMOND

GENERAL ELECTION

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 1963

For State Senator

(Vote for no more than one)

☐ W. V. RAWLINGS

For House of Delegates

(Vote for no more than two)

☐ SHIRLEY T. HOLLAND

☐ J. LEWIS RAWLS, JR.

For Commonwealth's Attorney

(Vote for no more than one)

☐ WILLIAM WELLINGTON JONES

For Treasurer

(Vote for no more than one)

☐ W. O. JONES

For Commissioner of the Revenue

(Vote for no more than one)

☐ WILLIE H. ROUNTREE

For Sheriff

(Vote for no more than one)

☐ JAMES C. KNIGHT, JR.

For Supervisor for Cypress Magisterial District

(Vote for no more than one)

☐ N. T. POARCH

☒ MOSES A. RIDDICK, JR.

For Justice of the Peace for Cypress Magisterial District

(Vote for no more than three)

☒ JOYCE U. BAINES

☐ RUBY C. HUNTER

☒ LOERENE LASSITER

☒ LENNORA O. SKEETER

Winners

Auto - Pete Ballard
Holland Va.

Auto Repairs
Willie Diggs (Chuckatuck

Meals:
B. F. Simmons
New Port News.

Gas.
A. L. Barham
Norfolk Va.

WHAT EVERY VOTER SHOULD KNOW IS

N. T. POARCH'S STAND ON SEGREGATION

1. Interposition.
2. Voted to close Nansemond County Schools if the Federal Court request the County to integrate.
3. Voted for a Constitutional Convention which abolished compulsary school attendence laws in Virginia.
4. Supported the "Byrd Machine's massive resistance laws aimed at killing the NAACP.
5. Supported the Nansemond County Private School Foundation.
6. Voted to place all Negro teachers on a 30 day contract in order to force them to keep their mouths shut on the May 17, 1954 Supreme Court decision.
7. At present, Treasurer of the Defender of State Sovereignty and Individual Liberties; the KKK of Nansemond County.
8. Voted with other members on the Board on August 6, 1955 of Virginia to use every honorable means to maintain segregation in all fields where it now exist (1955).
9. Voted for a budget that paid Negro policemen unequal salaries as to those of whites.
10. Voted in 1960 for a resolution that cut off funds which paid the salary or our school guard, Mrs. Mary E. Backus. Mrs. Backus then worked for the County free of charge for nearly one year.

Sheriff Knight and Moses Riddick worked hard for nearly one year to have Mrs. Backus' salary restored.

VOTE FOR

[X] MOSES A. RIDDICK

YOU MUST GO OUT AND VOTE

MOSES A. RIDDICK

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RAIN - SHINE - HAIL - OR SNOW
- VOTE -
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 1963

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WHERE TO VOTE

* Voters of Magnolia
* Plences Park
* Oakdale
* Jenicho
* Lloyd Place
* Rose Mount Section
* E. S. Garden
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ELECTION NEWS

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For Board of Supervisors --- Cypress District

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Negro Candidates lost in Richmond on July 14th. Negro Candidates lost in Memphis, Tenn. in June 1959. The eyes of the Nation are now on the Negro Candidates of Nansemond County.
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An Open Letter To Cypress District Voters

Fellow Citizens:

What has N. T. Poarch done for us in the last 4 years?

1. Citizens purchase and fix their own streets.
2. What about trash and garbage collection?
3. What about high sanitation taxes? Yet, we have no sewage system, no water and drainage system in most areas.
4. Dr. R. H. Bland, Miss Cook and 9 other persons were killed on Norfolk Road, and no sidewalks yet.
5. What about grass and weeds?
6. Are you willing to let him use you for a fool, a mule and a tool for another 4 years?

NOW is the Time For a Change

VOTE FOR

[X] MOSES A. RIDDICK, Jr. For Supervisor

Please Vote Early Tomorrow, Tuesday, Nov. 5th

POLLS OPEN 6 A. M. 'TIL 7 P. M.

LOOKING ON IN NORFOLK

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By LIN HOLLOWAY 11-1-63

REV. DR. KING HAS BEEN called "The Moses" of his people, but his name is Martin Luther. Some years ago, they accused a colored man named "Booker T." of being his folk's hand-picked leader.

A little later, the Mosaic role was lain on the shoulders of a taciturn West Indian named "Marcus" (Garvey); and it has been visited—by those so inclined—on Men of Color named Walter (White); A. Philip (Randolph) and only the Lord, himself, knows how many others.

But next door to Our City By The Sea—in adjoining Nansemond County—we've got a "Moses" who believes he has actually been anointed to "go down" and tell "Ol' Pharoah" or his delegated hosts) to "let my people go." This modern-day Moses is Moses A. Riddick Jr., who on Tuesday carries his claim to leadership of The Folk to the polls in seeking election as a supervisor in the county. Our 1963 Moses didn't bit off an itty-bitty bit, either. In his quest for office, he seeks to unseat the man who chairs Nansemond's Board of Supervisors. We talked to Moses Riddick the other day trying to determine why in the heck he'd cast his hat into such a formidable political arena. Said our Moses: "Look at Exodus 3:10." And there, it says—as The Lord talked to the Moses of Old: "Come now, therefore, and I will send thee unto Pharoah, that thou mayest bring forth my people, the children of Israel, out of Egypt." And ya know what? Anybody who has that kind of belief in his calling is worth support! If we lived in Nansemond's Cypress District (Our Moses' Egypt) we'd be there cheering him on in the form of ballots in the box. Now what are YOU gonna do?

HOLLOWAY

THIS IS PORTSMOUTH

By JOHN "ROVER" JORDAN

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Nansemond County's Moses

They are saying that the Nov. 5 general election will be of the quiet, off-year variety in Virginia. But, as quiet as it's kept, there's a knock-down, drag-out political campaign being waged in the Cypress District (in Suffolk's backyard) of Nansemond County—a struggle which could be historic in modern Virginia politics. Veteran Negro civic leader Moses A. Riddick Jr., who proudly wears the tag of an independent Kennedy Democrat, is driving hard to unseat N. T. Poarch on the Board of Supervisors. If our Moses wins—and political observers say his chances are good—he'll become the first candidate of color in modern times to crack the solid Southside.

JORDAN

Our Moses is beaming with confidence as election day approaches. He has guide ballots out, campaign literature being distributed, a sound truck rollin' the candidate himself is roving the length and breadth of the land shaking hands and beaming his message to the voters.

Candidate Riddick isn't stressing the "race issue" as such, in his campaign. On the contrary, he says he has a goodly number of white supporters. Just the same, the fact that Cypress district boasts 1,050 qualified colored voters as compared to 653 whites is bound to keep hope springing eternal in his heart.

Our Moses is leading his people. He firmly believes that by this time next week, Cypress District of Nansemond county will have a newly-elected member of the County Board of Supervisors. Know something? I do, too.

Sunny Skies To Follow
End of Rain by Tonight
Weather Details on Page 4.
Wednesday, November 6, 1963

LEDGER-STAR

Norfolk, Portsmouth, Virginia Beach, Chesapeake, Va.

Democrats Ahead, But GOP Gains

J. WARREN WHITE
Delegate Leader

WILLIAM B. SPONG JR.
Returns to State Senate

In general elections throughout the nation yesterday, the Democrats held on to major offices and legislative seats at stake. However, Republicans showed growing strength in some Democratic strongholds.

Results in the Hampton Roads area included:

NORFOLK—Democrats swept General Assembly contests, rolling up 2-1 margins over two Republican opponents.

PORTSMOUTH—Democratic incumbents returned to General Assembly by margins of 3-1 to 4-1.

CHESAPEAKE—Unopposed Democrats returned to General Assembly in light voting.

VIRGINIA BEACH—Unopposed Democrats elected to General Assembly in light voting.

NANSEMOND—Negro leader running as independent upset incumbent Democratic member of Board of Supervisors in a nearly 3-2 victory margin.

(Detailed stories on the above elections are on Page 1, Section 2.)

Major results throughout the nation included:

KENTUCKY—Democrat Edward T. Breathitt Jr. won over Republican Louis B. Nunn in an unexpectedly close race.

MISSISSIPPI—Democratic Lt. Gov Paul B. Johnson Jr. won the governorship on his fourth try, defeating Republican Rubel Phillips.

PHILADELPHIA—Major James H. J. Tate, Democrat, won a full four-year term in a close victory ovey Republican James T. McDermott.

INDIANA—Republicans registered major gains in mayorial contests. Democrats held Indianapolis, Evansville and Terre Haute.

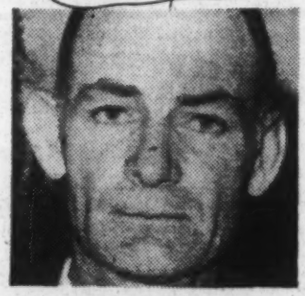
NEW JERSEY—Republicans returned to control over the State Senate and regained control of the Assembly.

VIRGINIA—Democrats held control of the Legislature, but Republicans made gains. (Story on Page 25).

SAN FRANCISCO—Democratic J. F. Shelley defeated Republican Harold Dobbs for mayor to succeed George Christopher, a Republican.

(An election roundup is on Page 3).

MOSES RIDDICK
Nansemond Winner



PAUL B. JOHNSON JR.
Fourth Try Successful

Unofficial County Vote By Precinct

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Precincts	Wm. V. Rawlings	S. T. Holland	J. L. Rawls	Wm. W. Jones	Wm. Rountree	W. O. Jones	J. C. Knight	Savage	Mansfield	Howell	Glasscock	Poarch	Riddick
Chuckatuck	208	143	148	206	209	220	209	—	—	—	209	—	—
Ebenezer	63	47	60	58	62	62	60	—	—	—	54	—	—
Elephant Fork	101	79	88	105	108	118	115	—	—	—	99	—	—
Myrtle	96	87	92	98	102	99	102	—	—	—	93	—	—
Cypress	200	136	187	207	223	229	228	—	—	—	—	262	32
Eastover	118	92	121	116	116	116	130	—	—	—	—	133	3
Paul's Branch	389	148	471	428	434	486	703	—	—	—	—	184	815
Holland	180	124	169	183	190	186	171	—	—	181	—	—	—
Holy Neck	63	30	60	61	64	73	70	—	—	52	—	—	—
Kilby's Mill	181	127	186	182	192	202	215	—	—	169	—	—	—
Lummis	59	46	41	65	60	66	68	—	—	57	—	—	—
Driver	242	182	220	252	249	262	268	—	268	—	—	—	—
Yeates	52	8	22	46	45	55	64	—	24	—	—	—	—
Nurneyville	65	47	61	70	68	70	72	70	—	—	—	—	—
Pleasant Hill	102	4	17	106	95	111	116	104	—	—	—	—	—
Somerton	30	28	31	29	31	31	30	27	—	—	—	—	—
Whaleyville	126	110	125	135	147	140	143	137	—	—	—	—	—
TOTAL	2275	1438	2099	2347	2395	2508	2764	338	292	461	455	579	850

WRITE IN BALLOTS CAST IN TUESDAY'S GENERAL ELECTION: The following write-in ballots were cast in these precincts in Tuesday's election: CHUCKATUCK: W. R. Henry (1) supervisor, G. Bradshaw (1) Commonwealth Attorney, H. W. Bell (50) Delegate, H. Bell (10) Delegate. EBENEZER. H. W. Bell (11) Del., W. H. Bell (3) Del., H. Bell (1) Del., Rev. H. W. Bell (1) Del. ELEPHANT FORK. H. W. Bell (13) Del. MYRTLE. Howard Williams (1) supervisor, H. W. Bell (5) Del. CYPRESS, H. W. Bell (5) Del. EASTOVER: Rev. J. W. Bell (1) Del., Rev. H. W. Bell (2) Del. PAUL'S BRANCH: H. W. Bell (295) Del., W. H. Bell (50) Del. HOLLAND: H. W. Bell (45) Del., John Riddick (1) sheriff, Moses Riddick (1) supervisor. HOLY NECK: H. W. Bell (26) Del., J. B. Bell (1) Del., R. C. Bell (1) Del., W. H. Bell (3) Del. KILBY'S MILL: Rev. H. W. Bell (40) Del., Rev. H. W. Bell (2) Senator. LUMMIS: Bell (10) Del., H. Bell (1) Del. DRIVER: Bell (26) Del. YEATES: H. W. Bell (40) Del., M. W. Keeling (34) supervisor; NURNEYVILLE: H. W. Bell)6) Del. PLEASANT HILL: H. W. Gell (94) Del. WHALEYVILLE: Rev. Bell (5) Del.

(Nov. 6, 1963)

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Paul's Branch Gives Riddick Seat on Board

By NITA SIZER

Poll officials counted until after 2 a. m. today at Paul's Branch Precinct in Cypress Magisterial District before the result of Nansemond County's only hotly contested race was known.

Early this morning poll officials announced that Moses A. Riddick. Jr., executive Secretary of the Independent Voter's League, had defeated N. T. Poarch, chairman of the Nansemond County Board of Supervisors, by a vote of 850 to 579.

It was the largest vote ever recorded in Paul's Branch Precinct. Predominantly Negro, the precinct recorded 1,017 votes Tuesday. Riddick garnered 815 votes in this precinct alone, while Poarch got 184.

Two other precincts in the Cypress district reported early in the evening. Eastover gave Poarch 133 and Riddick 3, while Cypress precinct gave Poarch 262 and Riddick 32.

One thing became plain as the results began to trickle in Tuesday night: a well-organized write-in campaign for the Rev. H. W. Bell had been quietly underway for some time before election day. Bell, head of the local NAACP chapter received write-in votes in the counties of Isle of Wight and Nansemond for one or both of the House of Delegate posts, for State Senator, and other offices. The effectiveness of the write-in campaign was lost in some instances by variations of the spelling and the initials. In Paul's Branch Precinct, for instance, there were 245 write-in votes for H. W. Bell for the House of Delegates and 50 write-in ballots for W. H. Bell, for the same post.

Unopposed William V. Rawlings of Capron was elected to a full fourth term as State Senator, with a total vote in Nansemond County of 2275 and a total vote in the City of Suffolk of 428.

Shirley T. Holland of Windsor, also unopposed, captured 3[illegible] votes in the city for House [illegible] Delegates and 1438 in the count[illegible]

J. Lewis Rawls, Suffolk a[illegible]torney, also unopposed as Del[illegible]gate, collected 412 votes in the city and 2099 in the county.

Also unopposed for office were William W. Jones, Commonwealth Attorney, 2347; William Rountree, Commissioner of Revenue, 2395; W. O. Jones , Treasurer, 2508, [illegible]d James C. Knight, Sheriff, [illegible]4.

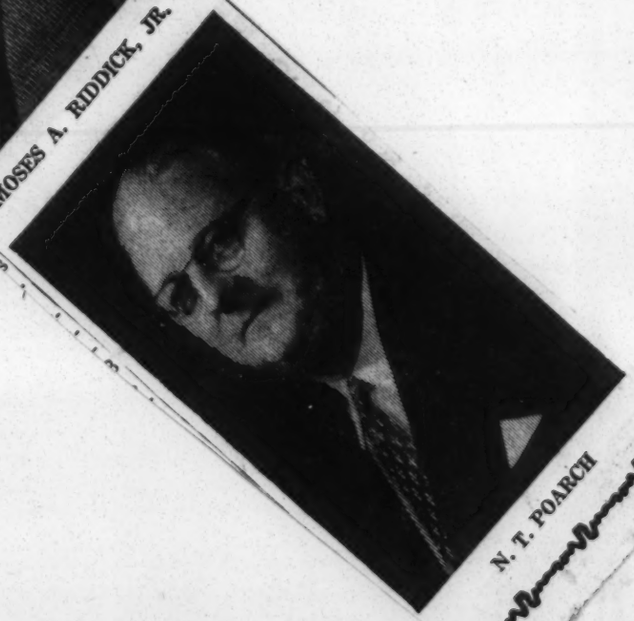
Unopposed in the Board of Su[illegible]rvisors race were A. L. Glass[illegible]ck of Chuckatuck, 455; Jarvis [illegible]owell of Holland, 456; Lester [illegible]ansfield of Driver, 292, and Jo[illegible]eph A. Savage of Whaleyville, 338.

There were races for Justice of the Peace in two districts Tuesday. Winners in Cypress District were Baines, Hunter and Skeet[illegible]er, all polling more votes than Lassiter.

The three JP winners in Whaleyville District were Jones, Hayes and Davenport, who defeated White and Douglas.

Unopposed for JP in Chuckatuck District were Garner, Norfleet and Walters; in Holy Neck District, Jones, Reed and Williams; in Sleepy Hole District, Grandy, Matthews and Whedbee.

MOSES A. RIDDICK, JR.



N. T. POARCH

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Victory in 3rd Try

Riddick Promises Work

By PRESTON CHARLES

Virginian-Pilot Staff Writer

SUFFOLK — Moses A. Riddick, victorious Tuesday in his third general-election try for the Nansemond County Board of Supervisors, promised Wednesday to be a "working supervisor."

The 43-year-old Negro political leader, running as an independent, defeated 65-year-old Democratic incumbent N. T. Poarch in Tuesday's race for supervisor from Cypress Magisterial District.

Riddick defeated Poarch 850 to 579. The result was not known until 2:30 a.m. Wednesday when officials of Pauls Branch Precinct finished tallying a record 1,017 votes.

STUDY OTHERS

"There are going to be some improvements made in the county," Riddick said Wednesday. "I'm going to be a working supervisor and a studious supervisor. First, I think we should look at the things that are being done in other growing counties and try to use some of their ideas in improving our county," he said.

How does the only Negro on a five-man board expect to put over the improvements he campaigned for?

Riddick pointed out that two new supervisors, Joseph A. Savage of Whaleyville and Lester K. Mansfield of Sleepy Hole, will take office along with him Jan. 1. He said Savage and Mansfield got considerable Negro support in their successful Democratic primary races.

"We feel that since we worked in their behalf in the primary, we should get their support in the improvements we seek," Riddick said.

Most of the improvements Riddick advocates are involved with the rapid urbanization of Nansemond County.

"I don't think that we on the just slap our stomachs and make Board of Supervisors should motions and then go away and wait until next month," he said. "Other counties and cities are spilling over into Nansemond, and we ought to realize that and start making plans."

Tuesday's election was a heated affair in Cypress District's three precincts, Eastover, predominantly white; Cypress, mostly white; and Pauls Branch, predominantly Negro.

As usual when there is a heavy vote, Eastover and Cypress results were announced hours before the Pauls Branch court.

BIGGEST EVER

The 1,017-vote total in Pauls Branch is believed to be the largest ever recorded at any Nansemond County precinct. The precinct officials' task was complicated by a mass of write-in votes for the Rev. H. W. Bell, Suffolk-Nansemond NAACP head, for the House of Delegates.

Poarch's defeat came as no surprise to Nansemond County white political leaders. Most of them had been predicting the outcome because of the increase in Negro voter qualification in East Suffolk. It is believed that Negroes who had registered and paid their poll taxes in Cypress district outnumbered whites by about 1,000 to 600.

Riddick was defeated by Poarch in elections in 1955 and 1959. Poarch received enough Negro votes from Pauls Branch in those elections to guarantee his victory.

Moses Riddick

Tuesday's election saw Negroes voting as a block for Riddick.

EARLY RETURNS

Early returns from Eastover and Cypress gave Poarch a substantial early lead. He won by 133 to 3 in Eastover, and by 262 to 32 in Cypress, and went into Pauls Branch with a 360-vote majority.

Riddick is only the second Negro to be elected to the Board of Supervisors in modern times. In 1947 Negro insurance man William A. Lawrence defeated Democratic nominee Frank E. Harrell, 292 to 290. Lawrence's victory came chiefly because of white voter apathy, and because of the work of the Independent Voters League, which Riddick had just organized.

The Independent Voters League was a big factor in Riddick's victory Tuesday. The organization worked chiefly on registering Negro voters, and getting them to pay their poll taxes.

THIS IS PORTSMOUTH

By JOHN "ROVER" JORDAN

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Moses Makes News In Nansemond

ON MONDAY of this week Moses A. Riddick Jr. was just an ordinary citizen who had devoted much of his life to an often thankless role of civic worker in his community. Just 12 hours later, after the Nov. 5th votes had been counted, Mr. Riddick's name was flashed across the land in news reports as the new supervisor-elect of Cypress District of Nansemond county. This was something historic because Mr. Riddick, in defeating incumbent N. T. Poarch, became the first citizen of color in the "Negro Revolt" era to win a seat on Nansemond's Board of Supervisors. Mr. Riddick's momentous victory, however, came as no great surprise to Rover readers. In last week's column, this reporter predicted that our Moses would cop a lion's share of the votes in this, his third attempt in eight years to win a seat on his district's highest governing body.

JORDAN

In predicting that Mr. Riddick would jolt the "Organization" to its foundations by winning a seat on the Board of Supervisors, the Rover wasn't just making a wild guess. When we wrote about our Moses last week, we knew of the hard work, the planning, the sacrifices and the just plain blood-and-sweat that had gone into his electon campaign. We knew that the Negro candidate had toiled for many months to lay the foundation for this bid for office. And we knew that he would pour every ounce of know-how—gained from some two decades of public service—into this election campaign.

Supervisor-elect Riddick had a lot of things working for him in this election—far more than we have space to outline here. However, the key factors in his election would have to be:—the fine reputation which he enjoys in his district and the unrelenting voter campaign staged by the powerful Independent Voters League, of which he is a founder.

As most Guide readers know, Mr. Riddick is this paper's news reporter for the Suffolk-Nansemond area — and we all think the world of our Moses. Every Wednesday Mr. Rididck brings his news releases to the Guide plant. This week, with the cheers of victory still ringing in his ears, our Moses showed up on schedule. The news of his victory had, by this time, been splashed across the front page of the Guide's Peninsula Edition. But, the fellows in the pressroom thought that something more—something special—should be done for the stocky, 46-year-old, easy-going, likable citizen from Nansemond. So the Guide journeymen hastily printed up a batch of signs and put them up all over the plant. When Mr. Riddick entered the office this Wednesday afternoon he was surprised with a barrage of banners which read: "Welcome, Mr. Supervisor!" and "Well Done, Moses!"

Coming from a bunch of newspaper people who customarily take the world's events in stride, it is doubtful that our Moses will ever receive a finer tribute than that.

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Supervisor Shows How It's Done

Moses A. Riddick, elected to the Nansemond County, Va., Board of Supervisors Tuesday, here gives pointers on getting out the vote to Mrs. A. T. Freeman of the Tidewater Voter Registration Project. Mrs. Freeman's husband is director of the Project.

Mr. Riddick polled 850 votes to 579 for N. T. Poarch, the incumbent Supervisor from Nansemond Cypress Magisterial District and current chairman of the board.

New Nansemond Supervisor

Riddick Will Lend His Vote Know-how To Many

By LIN HOLLOWAY

NORFOLK — Moses A. Riddick Jr., elected to the Nansemond County Board of Supervisors Tuesday, said that he has received several invitations to speak before civic organizations in various cities in the north and south to explain the working operations of the Independent Voters League of Suffolk and Nansemond County, the group he gives credit for his election.

"I plan to accept as many of those invitations as possible if it will mean making people more conscious of the power of the ballot," Mr. Riddick said.

THE 46-YEAR-OLD civic leader-politician gives political science instructors at Hampton Institute much cred it for whetting his appetite for political participation.

"When I was at the Seaside college, instructors' counsel opened my eyes to many of the tricks of the trade of politics," Mr. Riddick recalled. Former classmates of the new Nansemond supervisor recall that several instructors and Moses A. Riddick, student, engaged in many discussions on ways and means of encouraging civic participation.

"PRACTICAL application of what was then theory has visor.

Asked the major factor in

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One brother, John R. Riddick, is a deputy sheriff.

Riddick Will Lend His Vote Know-how To Many

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his victory at the polls, Mr. Riddick pin-pointed "hard work."

success", he said, adding hard to make the election a success', he said, adding "I am happy to express my appreciation for the very fine support given me by the voters of Cypress District in the election.

"It is my purpose to be a working and studious supervisor. I shall especially call the board's attention to the urban needs of Nansemond county."

MR. RIDDICK'S victory was by an 850-to-579 margin over incumbent supervisor N. T. Poarch of the Cypress Magisterial District. It was his third try to win the office in eight years. Asked if the two defeats had discouraged him, Mr. Riddick said, "Quite the contrary. Those defeats encouraged us (his supporters) to work even harder."

Long an advocate of power-by-ballot, Mr. Riddick said it was no surprise to him that there was a deluge of write-in votes for the Rev. H. W. Bell for the House of Delegates. He noted that Rev. Mr. Bell, pastor of Macedonia AME Church and president of the Suffolk NAACP, received support in 6 of the 17 voting precincts of the county and in four precincts in Suffolk.

"I UNDERSTAND that some of the politicians were shocked. I was not," said Mr. Riddick. "We have learned a lot about what the ballot can do here."

Mr. Riddick is a native of Nansemond, the county which is considered the doorway to Virginia's "Black Belt". The son of Moses Riddick Sr. and the late Mrs. Rebecca Riddick, he has five sisters and two brothers. One brother, John R. Riddick, is a deputy sheriff.

HE IS A graduate of Booker Washington high school, Suffolk, and Hampton institute (class of 1944). He founded the Independent Voters Leaue in 1945 and is now its executive secretary.

In addition to the 850 persons who cast votes in his behalf Tuesday, Mr. Riddick numbers his wife. Mrs Vivian Riddick, and his four children —Annett, William, James and Moses C. -- among his most faithful supporters.

A MEMBER OF the East End Baptist Church, Suffolk, he is also the voter-registration project director for the Suffolk NACP; is vice-chairman of the Citizens Committee of Nansemond and Suffolk and is chairman of the Coordinating Committee of Nansemond County which sponsored a successful campaign to desegregate lunch counters in the area.

Mr. Riddick admits that he favors arbitration to demonstration in securing advances in the realm of civil rights. He laughingly recalls that recently there were at least 100 demonstrators available in the area "but we had nothing pressing to demonstrate for at the time."

"IT WAS A rather pleasing demonstration we had at the polls Tuesday," he remarked.

Expulsion Of John Rid ' ck Called 'Act Of Vengeance'

'Disloyalty' charge scored as cover-up

By RAY BOONE
Special to the AFRO

SUFFOLK, Va. — Is there more to the Nansemond County Democratic Executive Committee's membership expulsion of John R. Riddick — youngest brother of Moses Riddick Jr., No. 1 colored leader of this heavily colored populated county — than "disloyalty" to the party?

An emphatic "yes" was the answer that Moses, the oldest of three politically aggressive, closely-knit brothers, gave the AFRO here last Friday.

Big Brother Moses charges that the expulsion of John was "an attempted act of vengeance" stemming from his recent political success.

The Hampton Institute-educated Moses, who defeated incubent N. T. Poarch — white and a Democrat — Nov. 5 in the general election battle for a seat on the County Board of Supervisors, said:

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"THE CHOPPING of my brother's head off was really a chop at me because of my victory. The white folk downtown still haven't gotten over the fact that there's colored representation on the 'inside.'"

"Poor fellow," he added, shaking his head "they sure are taking it hard."

Then he said firmly: "All of this is going to boomerang right back in their faces."

John, one of two non-whites elected Sept. 4 to the local Democratic Executive Committee for the first time in modern history was ousted last Wednesday night after a fiery meeting in which the third Riddick brother, Haywood, came to the defense of John.

And, in refusing to yield the floor, Haywood forced the Executive Committee into a secret session behind closed doors at the County Court House.

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JOHN, AS a committeeman was charged with disloyalty in refusing to sign a newspaper advertisement supporting Poarch, his brother's political opponent.

All three brothers regard the Executive Committee's stand as an insult to not only themselves — but the colored populace in general.

Asked, John's first verbal reaction on receiving notification of the Executive Committee's charge against him through certified mail was:

"These people must be crazy to think I would turn against my own brother. What they wanted me to do was to sell my people down the river. They must be crazy!"

"so why should my brother be?"

Moses refers to the Cross case as another tactic of the Executive Committee to split the colored vote and keep the board all-white.

"But, thank God, he (Cross) saw what was happening and withdrew" says Moses.

After Cross' withdrawal from the race, the battle was between Riddick and Poarch.

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HISTORY would have been against Moses had Cross continued in the race. On two other occasions, when a second colored candidate was in the race, Moses lost by narrow margins.

Moses, who has devoted 17 of his 46 years to almost nothing but building the Independent Voters League, believes the expulsion of John will be a cause for "our people to further unite and accelerate our voting drive" to eliminat "unfair and undemocratic practices."

Apparently, this is the "boomerang" Moses was talking about.

Over the last eight years, says Moses, it has been the IVL — not the local Democratic Party — that has determined who would win or lose in the county.

In the November election, he points out, the IVL — through its bloc voting—defeated three party candidates running for Board of Supervisors seats. There are five seats on the board.

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IF THE Riddick Brothers have their way, it is unlikely —in view of John's expulsion —that the trend against party candidates will be changed.

"You'll see the results in the next election," Haywood told the Executive Committee at the Wednesday night meeting.

He said that John's expulsion would mop out Mills Godwin's chances of reaching the governor's seat and would also jeopardize reelection of local Democratic officeholders.

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WHY CAN these three colored brothers talk so big? Mainly because they've got power in numbers (or votes) to back it up. The IVL, of which Moses is kingpin, controls the balance of power in Nansemond County.

Nansmond, which thrives on the peanut industry, has a heavy colored population—outnumbering the whites, 22,000 to 11,000, in round figures.

There are 3,500 eligible colored voters as compared to 4,500 white—and the colored vote, according to Moses, is steadily increasing. "The whites are now scraping the barrel for votes," he added.

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JOHN RIDDICK

MOSES RIDDICK

PETERSBURG NEWS

said:

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"THE CHOPPING of my brother's head off was really a chop at me because of my victory. The white folk downtown still haven't gotten over the fact that there's colored representation on the inside."

"Poor fellow," he added, shaking his head "they sure are taking it hard."

Then he said firmly: "All of this is going to boomerang right back in their faces."

John, one of two non-whites elected Sept. 4 to the local Democratic Executive Committee for the first time in modern history was ousted last Wednesday night after a fiery meeting in which the third Riddick brother, Haywood, came to the defense of John.

And, in refusing to yield the floor, Haywood forced the Executive Committee into a secret session behind closed doors at the County Court House.

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JOHN, AS a committeeman was charged with disloyalty in refusing to sign a newspaper advertisement supporting Poarch, his brother's political opponent

All three brothers regard the Executive Committee's stand as an insult to not only themselves — but the colored populace in general.

Asked, John's first verbal reaction on receiving notification of the Executive Committee's charge against him through certified mail was:

"These people must be crazy to think I would turn against my own brother. What they wanted me to do was to sell my people down the river. They must be crazy!"

John has openly declared that he will fight the architects of his expulsion until "the bitter end."

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BIG BROTHER Moses further believes that John's election to the Executive Committee was a part of a plan to split the colored vote —and "keep the Board of Supervisors lily-white."

But they failed, said the hard-working executive secretary of the powerful Independent Voters League here, adding:

"Once again they underestimated the unity of our people and the Riddick brothers. They thought John would fall for their little trick and disown his people and me — but again they were wrong.

"I repeat, all of this is going to boomerang in their faces."

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THE PRACTICE of expelling one and not all who perform identical acts, claims the Brothers Three, is both "unfair and undemocratic." The Democratic Party, they charge further, is employing dual systems of justice.

Executive Committee Vice Chairman Willie C. Knight, accuses John, is as much guilty of party disloyalty as he, but Knight, a white man, hasn't been booted off the committee.

John charges that Knight "circulated and signed" a petition in behalf of the candidacy of Charles E. Cross, a colored businessman once faithful to the Riddick camp, when he (Cross) tossed his hat in the ring as an independent running for the same seat as Poarch and Riddick.

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SEN. HARRY BYRD (D., Va.), charges Haywood, publicly declined to back Stevenson for President in 1952 and Lt. Gov. Mills Godwin refused to endorse President Kennedy in 1960.

"Neither of them were expelled," recalls Haywood,

Apparently this is the "boomerang" Moses was talking about.

Over the last eight years, says Moses, it has been the IVL — not the local Democratic Party — that has determined who would win or lose in the county.

In the November election, he points out, the IVL — through its bloc voting—defeated three party candidates running for Board of Supervisors seats. There are five seats on the board.

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IF THE Riddick Brothers have their way, it is unlikely —in view of John's expulsion —that the trend against party candidates will be changed.

"You'll see the results in the next election," Haywood told the Executive Committee at the Wednesday night meeting.

He said that John's expulsion would mop out Mills Godwin's chances of reaching the governor's seat and would also jeopardize reelection of local Democratic officeholders.

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WHY CAN these three colored brothers talk so big? Mainly because they've got power in numbers (or votes) to back it up. The IVL, of which Moses is kingpin, controls the balance of power in Nansemond County.

Nansmond, which thrives on the peanut industry, has a heavy colored population—outnumbering the whites, 22,000 to 11,000, in round figures.

There are 3,500 eligible colored voters as compared to 4,500 white—and the colored vote, according to Moses, is steadily increasing. "The whites are now scraping the barrel for votes," he added.

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BUT THIS hasn't always been the case in voter breakdown. When Moses returned to his native Suffolk in 1944 from Hampton Institute, he apparently viewed the colored political situation as dark and depressing as Booker T. Washington, also from Hampton, viewed the colored educational condition when he arrived at Tuskegee, Ala., in 1881 to establish a school.

In January 1945 — when the IVL was founded — there were only 83 colored voters in the entire county, recalls Moses.

Is there more to the expulsion case here than "disloyalty?"

Moses thinks it's basically the vote disguised by the word "disloyalty."

Memphis mother, 27 held in baby's death

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Mrs. George Ross, 27, whose husband is stationed with the Air Force in Spain, last week was charged with involuntary manslaughter in connection with the death of their one-year-old son.

According to police, an autopsy revealed the child died of pneumonia. Rats, however, began to chew on tht child while it was dying and continued to gnaw on it after it was dead.

Cleveland 'grandma' dies at age of 77

CLEVELAND (ANP) — Mrs. Rufus Thompson, a longtime member of the Fellowship Baptist Church, died here last week at the age of 77. Mrs. Trompson, the former Katie Sherrill, was known to all her friends as "Grandma." She was the grandmother of 45 and the greatgrandmother of 30. Her husband, an employe of the Old Cleveland Provision Co., died in 1942.

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SHOWDOWN NEAR IN SUFFOLK

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Moses A. Riddick spearheads 'all-out' drive to 'the end'

By RAY BOONE

BALTIMORE

"We're going all out to end this stuff," said the man in a firm, serious voice.

"Not only are we going against unfair whites. We're going against our own colored folk who can do something about the bad situation here—but don't."

Speaking to the AFRO in our interview Saturday was Moses A. Riddick Jr., chief political leader in Suffolk Va., where colored citizens were building up steam for the past three weeks.

He was revealing his "new" plan for achieving colored citizens rights in his area.

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TO ACCOMPLISH this goal, he told the AFRO that — within the next two weeks — he and his supporters had decided to use "any weapon", including the demonstration.

He stated that his new tactical approach would be broader, more intensive — and more direct.

However, he pointed out that while he had changed his mind about the need to employ demonstrations in his area, he, by no means, had lost faith in the power of the vote of meet colored demands.

Riddick, late last year, had gone on record as say- needed here."

"The vote," said the newly - elected lone colored member of the County Board of Supervisors, "is still my chief weapon. . .for employing pressure in all directions to get freedom."

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ELABORATING ON what he meant by demonstrating against "our own colored folks," he explained that protests would be registered against all persons of color who can qualify to vote, but, instead, "sit on their hips."

Mr. Riddick, executive secretary of the powerful Independent Voters League, said concrete plans for demonstrations would be made at a "youth rally" set for Sunday, Jan. 19, at the Union Hall in Suffolk.

"Demonstrations," he add ed, "will probably take place the week following the youth meeting."

He refused to disclose specific places or conditions that he and his forces plan to demonstrate against.

On this he only said "We'll be out to bring down all Jim Crow sings and all folks — ours included — who practice the injustice of racial discrimination and segregation.

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WHAT UNDOUBTEDLY, more than any other incident, led to the revamping of the Riddick plan for attack were the recent dismissals of his brother.

On December 18, a month after Moses' election to the Board of Supervisors, his brother, John R. Riddick Sr., was expelled from the Nansemond County Democratic Committee for "disloyalty." Then four days later, on Dec. 21, he (John) was fired for "negligence" and "insubordination" by Sheriff James C. Knight, a former ally of the Riddick camp.

Both firings, insist the Riddick brothers and most members of the Independent Voters League, were "political" and the charges against John were nothing more than for "cover-up," purposes. They insist further that the firings were acts of "vengeance" against Moses' election.

To deal with the executive committee and Sheriff Knight in the firings of John, Moses said petitions, in behalf of his brother, had been distributed over the county and will be picked up at the "youth rally."

Moses said that the petition calls for the County Board of Supervisors, the Compensation Board of Virginia and other government agencies to "order" an investigation of John's dismissals.

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A TELEGRAM from Dr. Martin Luther King, head of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, and the appearance of several of Dr. King's lieutenants at one of the meetings last week cannot be considered insignificant in Moses' sudden decision to add the demonstration to his attack which once was relied primarily on the power of the vote.

Dr. King's telegram, directed to Moses, said "The nation is concerned about the political situation in Nansemond County." He wrote further that the "rude dismissal" of John Riddick immediately after his brother had been elected to public office "shocked the South." It was read at last week's meeting.

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IN ADDITION to hearing the telegram, the enthusiastic audience all heard talks from several King lieutenants who placed as much emphasis on urging colored people to press toward breaking down segregation as they did against the dismissal of John Riddick.

The Rev. Milton A. Reid of Petersburg, regional director of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference which Dr. King heads, said: "Whatever it needs to right this wrong the SCLC will be here to do it."

The Rev. Curtis of Hopewell, Va., state president of Reid, saying:

"We're ready to go with you all the way. The facilities of the SCLC are at your disposal."

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Negro Supervisor's Life Threatened

They Govern Nansemond County

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SHERIFF Knight fired John Riddick last month, charging him with neglect of duty, a charge the deputy denied. The firing came on the heels of the ouster of John Riddick from the Nansemond County Democratic Executive Committee on charges of party disloyalty.

The Riddicks, the Independent Voters League of which the supervisor is executive secretary, the NAACP and other county groups are up in arms because the committee expulsion resulted from John Riddick's support of his brother's successful independent election. John Riddick refused to endorr N. T. Poarch, board chairman, then Democratic candidate for re-election.

THE BROTHERS said Wednesday that the supervisor had been receivi g telephone threats for a week at his home and the former deputy has received one call threatening his life.

The fourth in a series of protest meetings against the

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Two Riddicks Receiving Threatening Phone Calls

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firing of John Riddick sponsored by IVL will be held Sunday at 4 p. m. in Union Hall. A $2,500 defense fund will be launched and petitions criticizing the sheriff and calling for an investigation by the Compensation Commission and the supervisors will be circulated.

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SCLC Maps Voter Drive, All-Out Assault On Alabama Segregation

SUPPORT FOR FREEDOM — Checks totaling $2,858 were given to Miss Carole Hoover of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference of Atlanta, Ga., following a review of the book, *Strength To Love*, by Martin Luther King, Jr., SCLC President, at Los Angeles' Victory Baptist Church. The checks represented gifts and donations in connection with a book review program, sponsored by the Los Angeles Chapter of the Western Christian Leadership Conference, led by Rev. Arthur A. Peters (l.), president and pastor of Victory Baptist Church. Others from left: Rev. J. B. Reese, Rev. E. V. Hill, Rev. T. M. Chambers, Sr., Rev. Thomas Kilgore, Jr., Bishop L. C. Page, and Rev. C. A. Henson.

FIVE-POINT PLAN ADOPTED IN STATE-WIDE MEET OF 215

An all-out voter registration drive and assault on segregation in the state of Alabama was set in motion on March 4 by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. in a state-wide meeting in Montgomery, Ala., of 215 conferees of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference's Alabama unit. The delegates, representing 30 counties and 24 communities, adopted a five-point plan of action aimed at breaking down discrimination barriers and securing the vote for Alabama's 481,000 Negroes of voting age, only 90,000 of whom are registered.

In addressing the group prior to adoption of the plan, Dr. King said:

"We have not lost sight of the fact that nonviolence was born in Alabama. Our meeting today brings us together in a state-wide effort in Alabama, with Montgomery as headquarters, to rid our state of its by-products of discrimination."

'Historical Moment'

"It was in Montgomery, Alabama, that the Negro made his most significant stride toward freedom, and we believe it may now be the historical moment to make this the most significant stride into freedom."

In a later press conference, Dr. King indicated that "Birmingham-type" demonstrations might take place in major cities across the state within 30 days because Birmingham has "reneged" on the desegregation agreement reached last May 10. It would, in effect, be an all-out assault on segregation and discrimination in the state, which has systematically denied Negroes the right to vote through such devices as literacy tests, poll taxes and an educational system which deprives Negroes of full political knowledge.

List Five-Point Plan

The five-point action program adopted by the SCLC State Conference is as follows:

1.) Cognizant of this critical election year, we commit ourselves to an intensification of voter registration in all of Alabama's communities.

2.) To initiate a state-wide coordination of masses in direct action to secure in fact

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SCLC Board Members, New York Times Win Reversal In $500,000 Libel Suit Brought By Ala. Police Official

The Supreme Court on March 9 unanimously threw out a $500,000 libel judgment awarded Montgomery, Ala., Police Commissioner L. B. Sullivan against four board members of SCLC and the New York Times in 1960. The libel suit was based on an advertisement in the New York Times of March 29, 1960, which carried a statement critical of the handling of racial demonstrations in Montgomery.

The advertisement was placed at the time by an organization called "The Committee To Defend Martin Luther King and the Struggle For Freedom In The South." It bore the names of Board Members Ralph Abernathy, SCLC treasurer; Fred L. Shuttlesworth, SCLC secretary; Joseph E. Lowery, SCLC second vice-president; and S. S. Seay, Jr., an executive board member of SCLC.

Cars Seized and Sold

When the judgment was returned against the SCLC officials and the Times in 1960, three of them had their cars seized and sold at a sheriff's sale as result of the verdict and two others had their lands seized. In winning their appeal, the board members will probably get back about $6,000 plus six per cent interest, the $6,000 being the value of their confiscated property.

The advertisement and the litigation stemmed from an appeal to solicit funds for defense of SCLC President Martin Luther King, Jr., who at the time, was under charges

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Shuttlesworth Wins In Ala.

In a brief order, the Supreme Court on March 9 overturned a conviction of SCLC Secretary Fred Shuttlesworth on a charge of interfering with Birmingham police. The interference allegedly occurred on May 17, 1961, when police took into "protective custody" a group of "freedom riders" at Birmingham's Greyhound Bus station.

Shuttlesworth, sentenced to 180 days in jail and fined $100, denied any interference and said he was "convicted without evidence of guilt."

The Private Eye A Little Less So

Virginian Pilot April 3, 1964

By PRESTON CHARLES

Suffolk Bureau Chief

SUFFOLK—Private eye Gene Leggett has asked Sheriff James C. Knight Jr. to name the private detective who allegedly led gunmen into the gambling clubhouse where Meyer Jacobson was killed a year ago. Leggett, who operates the Lawyers Investigation Service in Suffolk, made the remark Thursday before the Nansemond County Board of Supervisors. The board was considering an ordinance regulating private detectives. The ordinance passed 2-1.

"I came here to ask Jimmy Knight a question," Leggett said. However, Knight was not present when Leggett spoke against the ordinance.

He recalled that a month ago when the ordinance was under fire from Negro leaders, Knight said the man who was caught outside and forced to lead three gunmen into the Portsmouth Deer & Hunt Club was a private detective.

Leggett, declaring this statement a reflection on all private detectives, said:

"I'd like this man named, to take the light off the rest of the private detectives."

He called Knight's statement "outrageous."

Supervisor Moses A. Riddick Jr. also opposed the ordinance. Supervisors Lester K. Mansfield and Joseph A. Savage voted for it. Abstaining were Chairman Jarvis L. Howell and Supervisor A. L. Glasscock.

Leggett asked the board to refer the ordinance back to a committee and then have the committee refer it to the General Assembly, with the idea of having a state law passed.

Leggett argued that it is unfair to regulate private detectives any more closely than, say, lawyers. He also objected to the requirement that detective agencies disclose names of all employes.

Riddick questioned the need for regulation of private eyes. He said there had apparently been no crying public need and certainly no public controversy over their activies.

"Somebody," he said, "has an ax to grind."

Riddick, formerly allied with Knight politically but at odds declared that whoever wants the ordinance passed should cite actual cases of abuse to show the need for the measure.

May 1, 1964

Mr. Moses Riddick, Jr.
Executive Secretary
Independent Voters League
2333 Norfolk Road
Suffolk, Virginia

Dear Mr. Riddick:

We are sending, under separate cover, a supply of research reporting forms. We request that you submit a weekly report that should reach our office no later than May 12, and every Tuesday thereafter for the duration of your program. We believe the items on the forms to be self-explanatory, but feel free to question or make comments.

At the conclusion of your project, we will expect a comprehensive narrative report. The outline for this report is enclosed.

Let us know if we can be of assistance to you.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Barbara I. Whitaker
Research Assistant

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SUFFOLK CIVIC CALENDAR

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SUFFOLK — The Independent Voters League is sponsoring a public meeting Sunday, 3:45 p.m., in Union Hall, at which time Moses Riddick will report on the board of supervisors plans to offer trash and garbage collection facilities in the sanitation districts.

Elephant Fork civic league meets Monday, 8 p.m., in Healing Chapel Baptist Church. The Rev. A. Whitaker is pastor. James Baker is president.

Holland - Holy Neck civic league meets Monday, 8 p.m., at the Community Center. Mrs. Ruby Waldon is president.

Huntersville Civic league meets Monday night, 8 o'clock, in the Masonic Hall. John Ward is president.

Lumis Civic league of Savage Crossing will meet Tuesday, 8 p.m., in Gethsemane Baptist Church. James Brown, vice-president, will preside.

THE INDEPENDENT Voters League executive board will meet Wednesday, 8 p.m., at 2333 Norfolk road. Eli Ricks is president.

Carrollton civic league meets Wednesday night, 8 o'clock, in the Bumble bee Hall. C. Whitley is president.

Senator, Ex-Council Member League Speakers

Journ & Guide 4-4-64

SUFFOLK — State Senator William V. Rawlings and Mrs. Helen J. Hannibal, former member of the Kinston (N. C.) City Council, will be the principal speakers for the Independent Voters League's annual convention here Sunday, April 19.

According to the executive secretary, Moses A. Riddick Jr., the day long session, which starts at 11 a.m., is planned for the Union Hall or the Odd Fellows Hall, and will be attended by some 200 delegates from cities and counties of the Tidewater area.

Eli Ricks of Driver, is president of the Independent Voters League.

MRS. HELEN HANNIBAL
Guest Speaker

sity of Maine. A veteran of ..... Suffolk.

Suffolk News Herald April 2, 1964

Rawlings to Address IVL Convention Here

William V. Rawlings, State Senator from Capron, will be principal speaker at the annual Independent Voters League Convention to be held Sunday, April 19, at the Odd Felows Hall on Tynes St.

Registration will get underway at 11 a.m. with delegates from 26 Suffolk and Nansemond County civic leagues, Norfolk, Portsmouth Gloucester, Carrollton, Isle of Wight County, Northampton County, N. C. and Halifax County, N. C. in attendance.

A business session will follow the registration at 11:30 Then at 2 p.m. a workshop session will take place. Acting as consultants wil be Arthur Freeman of Norfolk and Horace Downings, Democratic Committeeman of Norfolk, speaking on "Fund Raising in Political Work"; discussing "Labor's Roll in Vote Building" will be J. B. Speler, business agent of Federal Workers Association in Norfolk, and Lock Parker, Suffolk president of Local 26 AFCIO.

Rev. H. W. Bell, local president of the NAACP, wil lead a discussion on "The Church's Roll in Vote Building", and John Salter, field director of Southern Education Fund, will speak on "The Part Played In Vote Building by National Civil Rights Organizations."

Moses A. Riddick will show a film strip titled "Issues and the Ballot" and lead a discussion on the same.

At the mass meeting scheduled for 4 p. m., Mrs. Alice J. Hamlin, former city council woman of Kinston, N. C. will speak to the group followed by Senator Rawlings speaking on "Acts Passed by the last session of the General Assembly."

Isle of Wight Man Is Charged After Slaying

ISLE OF WIGHT — Jack Lewis Purdy, 29 year-old Negro of Route 1, Zuni, has been arrested in the shotgun slaying of a 67 year-old Zuni man and charged with murder.

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Suffolk News In Brief

Jour. & Guide 4-11-64

SUFFOLK — The Rev. H. W. Bell, president of the Suffolk - Nansemond County NAACP Branch, and Roland Wyatt, treasurer, were representatives for the local chapter at the hearing of the Prince Edward schools case Monday before the United States Supreme Court.

Moses A. Riddick Jr., member of the Nansemond County Board of Supervisors, represented the county recently at a dinner meeting in the Officers Mess Hall of the Norfolk Naval Shipyard. Purposes of the meeting were to make plans to oppose any efforts on the part of the government to close - down the shipyard and in case the yard is not closed, to also oppose the dismissal of some 500 to 600 area workers.

Representatives from city and county governments of some 20 units in North Carolina and Virginia attended the dinner, which was addressed by Congressman Porter Hardy and Adm. James Farrin, commander of the shipyard.

W. L. Outlaw, James C. Heck and T. R. Darden, representatives of the local NAACP chapter, are currently visiting churches, to create greater interest among citizens in joining the NAACP. They will visit area churches throughout the months of April and May.

Members of the Independent Voters League's voter-registration committee will be stationed on the corner near the Old American Bank Building at Main street and Washington Square every Saturday morning from now until the poll tax and registration deadlines. The time is from 10:30 a. m. unil 12:30 p. m. The committee will take any person who desires to become a qualified voter to the registrar's office.

Construction of the $1,-300,000 John F. Kennedy High School has begun. Salas S. Key Construction Company began construction Thursday of last week. The school, which will replace East Suffolk High will take on an enrollment of 1,000 high school students.

The Suffolk Bi-racial Commission recently recommended to the Suffolk City Council that uniformed Negro officers be appointed by the city and that the city also take immediate steps in hiring qualified Negroes to operate city buses.

In reply to the request, council, at its Thursday night meeting, declared that the policy of the City of Suffolk is that any and all pernel hired to work for the city shall be hired with-the city shall be hired without regard to race, color or creed, but shall be employed on the basis of qualifications.

Poll Tax Deadline In City Moved to Monday

Suffolk News-Herald 5-1-64

City Treasurer George S. Swain said today his office would accept payment of poll taxes up until 5 p.m. Monday so that prospective voters could qualify for local and state elections.

According to a schedule sent out by the State Board of Elections, May 2 (Saturday) is the last day on which poll taxes may be paid in order to qualify for the November elections.

The treasurer said that since the treasurer's office will be closed on Saturday, poll tax payments will be accepted for city residents on Monday.

The Nansemond County Treasurer's office said this morning, however, that in effect today (Friday) is the last day poll taxes may be paid by county residents who wish to qualify to vote in local elections.

While May 2 is the deadline, the office will be closed as usual and there will be no one to accept payment.

The county office, however, will honor poll tax payments by mail if the envelope carries a May 2 postmark.

All persons who wish to vote in local, state and national elections must pay the poll taxes for 1961, 1962 and 1963 by deadline time.

Other persons who decline to pay the poll tax and vote only in federal elections may register without paying the poll tax by qualifying under the state's new "certificate of residency" law.

In this case, the deadline for registering is 30 days prior to the federal election—in this case November 3.

Moses A. Riddick Jr., executive secretary of the Independent Voters League, announced today that the IVL will begin a new campaign next week to register new voters under the certificate of residency law. The campaign begins immediately after the poll tax deadline, and lasts through October 2, he said.

The IVL registration committee will be stationed on the corner of the old American Bank building each Saturday from 10 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. Riddick said, to give aid to all persons who wish to vote.

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Mr. Wiley A. Branton, Project Director
Voter Education Project
Room 206
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Sir:

We are pleased to make our first report concerning our three month Crash Voter Registration Program in our area. The report covers the period from May 13-25, 1964.

You will recall, that our program is off schedule because it was on May 13 that our executive board of the Independent Voters League, officially received a report of the grant made by your organiaztion, and also announced that the three month Voter Registration Program was being launched. One week later, the board held a special meeting, at which time, 36 countY residents received kits and were assigned to certain areas. Since that thime, we have been working to complete the organizational structure of the campaign, which calls for 100 workers in Nansemond County and 40 workers in the city of Suffolk. We shall forward to you reports of our efforts in Southampton and Isle of Wight Counties on May 30.

Enclosed, find news clippings, vouchers of expenses, receipts, and other campaign materials conveying our activities here.

Respectfully submitted,

Moses A. Riddick, Jr.

Moses A. Riddick, Jr.
Executive Director,
Nansemond Voters Project

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VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: Nansemond Voters Project

Period covered by this report: From May 13 to May 25, 1964

Person reporting Moses A. Riddick, Jr. Executive Director

2333 Norfolk Rd. Suffolk Nansemond Virginia

Street Address City County State

Date submitted: May 25, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: City of Suffolk, Nansemond County, Isle of Wight County, and Southampton County, Virginia

Ward, Beat, etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass Campaign just started

Number instructed at home None

Number instructed at clinics None

Number instructed other places 35 a. Specify places

Civic League Meetings

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 26

Number successfully registered by this project this week 26

Number denied registration in this project this week None

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means Approximately 200

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Number refusing to participate None

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 26

Number of workers in the campaign Nansemond County, 40; Suffolk, 10 Southampton County, 2; Isle of Wight County, 11

Remarks Due to the start of the campaign on the 13th of May, the vote canvass has been slow because it has taken nearly two weeks to get the campaign organized. A special meeting of the executive board of Nansemond County's Independent Voters League was held on Tuesday, May 19, at which time 36 vote canvassers received their kits and were instructed to work in certain designated areas. Personal contacts were made recently by the executive director in the following areas: Southampton County, Virginia and Isle of Wight County, Virginia. The City of Suffolk is holding a meeting on

May 26 in the Odd Fellows Hall on Tynes Street for the purpose of revising its Voter Registration Campaign. We will make report on the outcome of the meeting next week.

A Voter Registration Committee is stationed on the corner of the American Bank Building at Washington Square and Main Street, every Saturday morning from 10:30 until 12:30 p.m., for the purpose of aiding all persons who wish to register as voters. This committee makes appointments with the registrars of the City of Suffolk and Nansemond County for those who wish to qualify and instructs and stands by the voter until he is registered.

The three groups that we are planning to concentrate on are: Those who are 21 years old this year; those who paid the poll taxes before May 3 deadline; and those who have not registered, but want to vote in the Federal election under the Certificate of Residency Law. A ruling handed down recently by the Attorney General of Virginia declared certain portions of the Certificate of Residency Legislation unconstitutional. The deadline for qualifying was set at October 2, 1964.

A meeting to instruct all vote canvassers in the area affected in this campaign is scheduled for Sunday, June 7, at 3:45 p.m., in the Union Hall, 509 East Washington Street, Suffolk, Virginia. At this time our organization is expected to be completed and ready for a full scale Voter Registration Campaign in the district.

Respectfully submitted,

Moses A. Riddick, Jr.
Executive Director,
Nansemond Voters Project

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YOU DON'T HAVE TO PAY
Poll Taxes
TO REGISTER AND VOTE
In Federal Elections
In 1964

QUALIFY TODAY
It's Easy

(See Page 2)

President Kennedy, Medgar Evers and others gave their lives -

WILL YOU GIVE A VOTE FOR YOUR FREEDOM?

YOU CAN VOTE IN THE 1964 FEDERAL ELECTIONS WITHOUT PAYING A POLL TAX

THERE ARE TWO WAYS THIS CAN BE DONE:

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IF YOU HAVE NEVER REGISTERED,

SIMPLY GO TO YOUR REGISTRAR

AND REGISTER.

IT'S EASY TO REGISTER

(For detailed instructions see page 4)

II

If you are registered and have not paid your poll taxes for (1961-1962-1963) you can qualify and vote in this year's (1964) Federal Elections by:

SIGNING A CERTIFICATE OF RESIDENCE

Certificate of Residence Forms may be secured from your local city / county treasurers office or from your local NAACP office.

(See sample of certificate of residence on page 5)

Deadline May 2, 1964

THE REQUIREMENTS FOR REGISTRATION AS SET FORTH IN SECTION 20 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF VIRGINIA ARE THUSLY NUMBERED:

(1) "...he make application to register in his own handwriting, without aid, suggestion, or memorandum, in the presence of the registration officer, stating therein his (2) name (3) age (4) date and (5) place of birth, (6-9) residence and occupation at the time and for one year next preceeding, and (10) whether he has previously voted, and if so the state, county and precinct in which he voted last;...."

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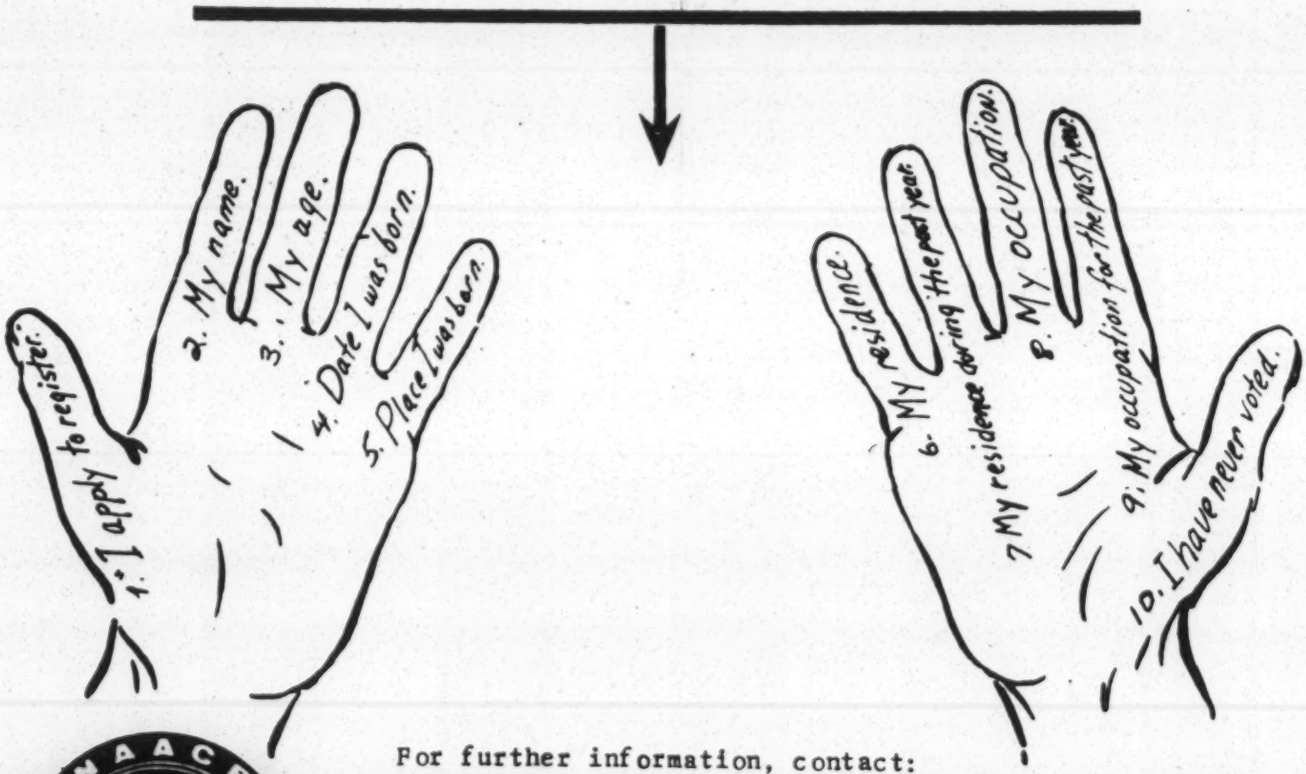

For further information, contact:

THE VIRGINIA STATE CONFERENCE-NAACP
VOTER REGISTRATION COMMITTEE
301 East Clay Street, Richmond, Va. 23219
Phone: 644-5678 or 648-2435

CERTIFICATE OF RESIDENCE

I do certify that I am now and have been a resident of Virginia since the date of my registration to vote under the laws of Virginia, that I am now a resident of _____

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(city or county)

residing at _____
(street and number, or

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place or residence therein)

and that it is my intention not to remove from the city or county stated herein prior to the next general election.

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(Signature of resident)

Witnessed:

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OR

Subscribed and sworn to before me this _____ day of _____ 19____.

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Notary Public

Report on meeting to be held

The Virginian-Pilot
VIRGINIA and NORTH CAROLINA
SUFFOLK • FRANKLIN • SOUTHSIDE News
PAGE 17 Tuesday, May 19, 1964

Vote Drive In Suffolk To Start

SUFFOLK — A Negro voter registration drive will be launched tonight at 7:45 at an executive board meeting of the Independent Voters League at the home of the executive secretary, Moses A. Riddick.

A goal of at least 500 new voters probably will be set, Riddick said. "There's no limit to the possible number of new voters, it only depends on how well the organization will work," he said.

The drive will run until June 13, when registrars' books will be closed a month before the primary. The drive will be resumed July 15 and run through Oct. 2, a month before the general election.

Results of meetings in county

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To Concentrate on Three Groups

The Local Press
Suffolk News Herald
Thursday May 21,1964

IVL Plans 3-Month Vote Drive

A full-fledged three-month voter registration drive was officially endorsed by members of the executive board of the Independent Voter League Tuesday night.

According to Moses A. Riddick, the drive may go beyond the three months agreed upon and a goal of 500-1,000 new registered voters has been set for Nansemond County.

"There are three groups that we're planning to concentrate on," Riddick said. These are (1) those who were 21 years old this year; (2) those who paid their poll tax before the May 3 deadline, but have not registered; and (3) those who have not registered but want to vote in the federal election under the Certificate of Residency Law.

"Representatives from every community in Nansemond County and also two from Isle of Wight were present for the Tuesday meeting," Riddick said. "At present," Riddick added, "we are working on a list of 100 canvassers for the county and 35 received kits during the meeting."

Riddick also said that a meeting to reorganize the registration canvass in Suffolk will be held at 8 p.m. Tuesday at the Odd Fellows Hall on Tynes St.

To aid those seeking to register or registration information, Riddick said that members of the IVL's Registration Committee will be stationed on Washington Square at the Professional Building from 10:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. Saturday.

Registration books here will close on June 13 in preparation for the July 14 primary election, even though there will be no contest in this section, Riddick said. "The Books reopen on July 15 and remain open until Oct. 2, when they will close in preparation for the November election.

Additional voter registration information may be obtained by contacting Riddick or by calling the Union Hall at 539-9400.

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Morning edition
Norfolk Virginian Pilot
Friday May 22, 1964

Campaign Seeks 1,000 New Votes

SUFFOLK — The Independent Voters League has launched a three-month campaign in Nansemond County for registration of Negro voters.

County Supervisor Moses A. Riddick Jr. IVL executive secretary, said Thursday that the goal is 1,000 new voters for the county. The campaign will be beamed at three groups—those just turned 21, those who have paid poll taxes on time for the last three years and those who wish to use the certificate of residency.

The certificate is a new method of qualifying to vote in federal elections only which does not require payment of poll taxes.

The drive is backed by 36 civic and community leagues in Nansemond County and two in Isle of Wight County. Plans are for 100 canvassers to work from house to house throughout the area.

A similar drive in Suffolk will be launched May 26, at 8 p.m. in the Odd Fellows Hall on Tynes Street.

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News of Suffolk-Nansemond County

Moses A. Riddick, Reporter. Office: 2333 Norfolk Road, Suffolk Phone: 539-6662

Goal Of 1,000 Set

League Opens Campaign To Press Registration

SUFFOLK — The Independent Voters League launched a crash voter registration drive Tuesday at an executive board meeting here. The goal is registration of 1,000 persons in Suffolk and Nansemond County within four months.

Eli Ricks, league president, said that the drive is designed to qualify persons who have paid poll taxes but have not registered, those who became 21 years old this year and those who wish to register under the state certificate of residency law which permits voting in federal elections only.

THOSE IN the latter category may register until 30 days before the presidential election, Mr. Ricks said.

Representatives of 26 civic leagues in Suffolk and Nansemond attended the executive committee meeting. Voter information kits were issued and a Nansemond canvassing committee of 100 was organized.

A MEETING to step up Suffolk registration will be held at 8 p. m. Tuesday, May 26, at Odd Fellows Hall.

Beginning this week, IVL registration workers will be stationed in front of the old American Bank building at Washington square and Main street every Saturday from 10:30 a. m. to 12:30 p. m. to assist persons who wish to qualify for the ballot.

East Suffolk Teacher

County meeting
Results

Report of meeting published in
Norfolk Ledger Dispatch Tuesday, May 26, 1964

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IVL MEETING

INDEPENDENT Voters League is sponsoring a city-wide meeting for the purpose of reviving the vote canvass in Suffolk at 8 p.m. Tuesday (tonight) at the Odd Fellows Hall on Tynes St. Speakers will be the Rev. Ronald Morris, the Rev. H. W. Bell and Dr. E. C. Sullivan. Moses A. Riddick, executive secretary of the IVL, will distribute campaign material. The league is aiming for 500 new voters.

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City Meeting

Report of meeting published in
Suffolk News Hearld Tuesday, May 26, 1964

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Crash Registration Program on In City

Organization of a crash voter registration campaign in Suffolk, similar to one initiated in Nansemond County last week by the Independent Voters League, will be the purpose of a meeting set for 8 p.m. Tuesday at the Odd Fellows Hall on Tynes Street.

In reviving the city canvass, attempts will make to secure the services of 40 canvassers, Moses A. Riddick Jr., executive secretary said today.

Riddick said that at the Tuesday meeting kits will be passed out and wards organized.

"A special invitation is extended to all qualified voters to attend this meeting," Riddick said.

Featured speakers for the program include Eli Ricks, president of the IVL; Dr. E. C. Sullivan, the Rev. H. W. Bell, the Rev. Ronald Morris and Lock Parker.

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Last minute reminder of county meeting

May 19, 1964

Dear Co-Worker:

A very Important meeting of the Executive Board will be held tonight at 2333 Norfolk Road , Suffolk, Virginia. The Time is 8:30 O'clock.

We trust that you will make every effort to attend this important meeting; A Three-month voter-registration campaign will be launched and you will want to know what the plans are and what part your community will be called upon to play.

So, please be present on time so that we might get started on time.

Refreshments will be served after the meeting.

Signed:

Eli Ricks, president

Moses A. Riddick, Jr.
Executive Secretary of Independent Voters League

Exhibit (A)

JOURNAL AND GUIDE

May 30, 1964

-Nansemond County

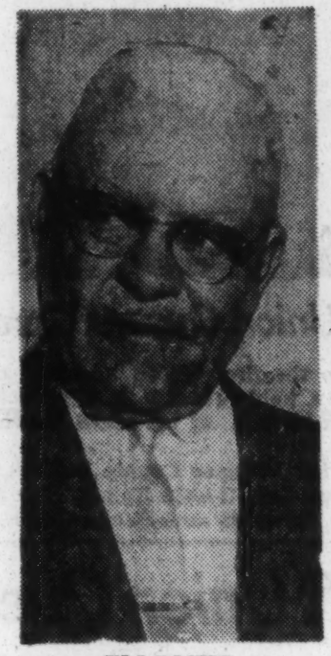
Norfolk Road, Suffolk Phone: 539-6662

Voters League Elects Eli Ricks For 2nd Term

SUFFOLK — Eli Ricks, of Drivers, has been re-elected president of The Independent Voters League for another two year term.

Mr. Ricks was unanimously elected to the office by delegates attending the 17th annual IVL Convention held in the Odd Fellows Hall last month. Under his administration, most of the 32 appointed and elected Negro county office holders gained their positions.

Mr. Ricks announced that the IVL would strive to reach a goal of 1,000 new voters for Nansemond County and 500 for the city of Suffolk in a three-month crash voter registration campaign recently launched by the organization.



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Re-elected

T. R. Darden Installed As Barbers Assn. Head

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Civic League To Hold Mass Meeting

May 30 1964 Guide Press

SUFFOLK — The annual voter registration mass meeting of the Lummis Civic League will be held at the Gethsemane Baptist Church Sunday June 7, at 2 p. m.

Guest speaker will be the Rev. H. W. Bell, president of the Suffolk-NansemondA PCM NAACP chapter and pastor of Macedonia AME Church.

Also appearing on the program will be James W. Lawrence, chairman of the Citizens Committee of Suffolk and Nansemond county.

ACCORDING TO John Brown, local Civic League president, an intensified three-month voter registration drive will be launched during this meeting.

Moses A. Riddick Jr., member of the Nansemond County board of supervisors, will distribute literature and offer whatever explanations might be necessary.

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LK, VIRGINIA, WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, JUNE 3, 1964

SUFFOLK Town Topics

DEACON BOARD

FIRST BAPTIST Deacons and the WMU executive board will meet at 7 p.m. tonight (Wednesday) and during the 8 p.m. Prayer Meeting hour the Rev. J. C. Mitchell will report on the Southern Baptist Convention.

JAYCEES

THE SUFFOLK -Nansemond Junior Chamber of Commerce will hold its annual Ladies Night and Installation of officers tonight at the Shrine Club. A social hour will begin at 6:30 p.m., followed by dinner at 7 and the installation service at 8 p.m.

VOTER MEETING

IVL IS sponsoring a voter registration meeting at 8:30 p.m. Wednesday (tonight) at the Odd Fellows Hall on Tynes St.

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Rev. H. W. Bell Is Speaker At Voter Meeting

Rev. H. W. Bell will be the principal speaker for a voter registration drive, sponsored by the Lummis Civic League.

Scheduled for 2:30 p.m. Sunday at the Gethsemane Baptist Church at Savage Crossing, the affair is sponsored by James Boones, president of the Civic league.

president of the Civic league.

Others who will appear on the program are James W. Lawrence and Moses A. Riddick. It is part of a voter registration campaign initiated in Nansemond County several weeks ago.

A similar campaign is underway in Suffolk and a meeting has been set for 4 p.m. Sunday at the Union Hall to report on its progress.

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News of Suffolk-Nansemon

Moses A. Riddick, Reporter. Office: 2333 Norfolk Road, Suffolk Phone

Rev. Bell To Address Lummis Mass Meeting

SUFFOLK — The Rev. H. W. Bell, pastor of Macedonia AME Church, and preside n t of the local NAACP Suffo l k chapter will be the g u e s t speaker at the third annual mass meeting of the Lummis Civic League, Savage Crossing, on Sunday, at 2:30 p. m. in Gethsemane B a p t i s t Church.

The purpose of the meeting is to stimulate greater interest among area citizens in voting in the coming presidential election this fall.

REV. MR. Bell will be introduced by the league president, John Brown. Participating on the program also will be Mrs. Corine Copeland, who will offer the welcome; Miss Beryl Sanders, soloist; Levy Brown, the invocation; Mrs. Eley Demiel, who will make presentations; James W. Law rence and Willie Peele, remarks. Music will be furnished by the host senior c h o i r The benediction will be offered by I. Demiel, Jr.

The Rev. G. G. Campbell is host pastor.

City-wide Voter Rally Sunday At Union Hall

SUFFOLK — A city-w i d e voter registration rally w i l l be held in Union Hall S u n day evening at 4 (Dayl i g h t Saving Time). Program participants will be the Rev. R. E. Morris, Lock J. Park e r, and Moses A. Riddick Jr.

The purpose of the meeting is to create greater interest a m o n g non-registran t s in registering and voting in the coming November presidential election.

A GOAL of 500 new qualified voters has been set by the Independent V o t e r s League for the City of Suffolk, according to Executive Director Moses A. Riddick.

The meeting is opened to the public.

Women Will Hear Guest Evangelist

SUFFOLK — Evangel i s t Rosa Ann Werrell of Detroit will be the Women's D a y speaker for Sweet Beulah Holiness Church on Sunday at 11 a. m.

Rev. Mrs. Werrell, a graduate of the Detroit Bible C o l lege and University, holds a B. S. degree in nursing and a B.D. degree in theology. She recently conducted a revival s e r v i c e at Sweet Beulah church.

Mrs. Pauline Copeland will be guest soloist.

Mrs. Naomi Pope is general program chairman, assisted by Mrs. Ethel Hol m e s. The Rev. M. Copeland is pastor.

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Civic League CALENDAR

SUFFOLK — The Holland-Holy Neck Civic League will meet Monday night, June 8, at 8:30 (DST) in the H o l land Community Center. Mrs Ruby Walden is president.

The Elephant's Fork Civic League will meet Mon d a y night, 8:30 p. m., in the Healing Chapel Baptist Church. James Baekr is president.

The Voter Registra t i o n Committee of Metropolit a n Baptist Church will m e e t Tuesday night, June 9, 8 p. m .in the church educatio n building.

M o s e s A. Riddi c k Jr., member, Nansemond County Board of Supervisors, will be the guest speaker. The Rev. D. W. Lamb is pastor.

Moses A. Riddick will be the guest speaker at N e w Hope Baptist Church, Gates, N. C., at 12:30 p. m. Sunday.

Voters League Board Meeting Wednesday

SUFFOLK — The Independent Voters League executive board will hold its regu l a r m e e t i n g Wednesday night June 10 at 8:30, in the headquarters at 2333 Norfolk road.

Voter registration progress reports will be expected from all leagues in the tri-coun t y area. Eli Ricks, preside n t, has stated that a comple t e list of 100 canvassers f o r Nansemond county and 40 for the city of Suffolk, will be submitted.

The women's auxili a r y, headed by Mrs. Loreane Lassiter, will meet with the executive board.

Pughsvilla

PUGHSVILLE — Sunday, at 3 p.m., the closing exercises of New Hope Kindergarden will take place at the church. Mrs. N. D. Patillo is teacher.

Regular morning service begins at 11:30 a.m. with the pastor, the Rev. David Jones, delivering the message. M u s i c will be by the missionary choir.

SUNDAY SCHOOL is at 10 a. m. Superintendent P. O. Moore will be in charge. On Friday night, June 12, the pastor, officers, choir and congregation will worship in a service at Pentecost a l Holiness C h u rch, Churchland.

Members on the sick list are Mrs. Ida Lassiter, a patient i Portsmouth G e n e r a l hospit and John Spivey, Norfolk G eral hospital.

Miss Barbara Southall. ginia State college s t u d Petersburg, is at home wit parents.

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SUFFOLK — A Children's Day program will be h e l d Sunday, 3:30 p. m., at t h e Church of God in C h r i s t, W h a l e y v i l l e, sponsored by Mrs. Eva Mitchell.

Other activities on Sun d ay include church school at 10:30 and regular worship at 11:30 with the Rev. A. V. Mitchell,, pastor, in charge.

AT 8 P. M., the Gos p e l Crusaders of the church will present a program at t h Church of God in C h r i s Windsor.

Rev. Mr. Mitchell will duct a 3:30 service Sun afternoon in South Norfo the Church of God in Elder W. A. Brown, pa

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June 13, 1964
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Civic League CALENDAR

SUFFOLK — The Suffolk-Nansemond co-ordinating committee will meet in the Union Hall at 7 p. m., Monday. The Rev. R. E. Morris is chairman.

The South Suffolk-Pleasant Hill Civic League will meet in the Apostolic Church on Lewis avenue and Spruce street at 8 p. m. Monday with John Knight presiding.

The NAACP Youth Chapter will meet at 7:30 p. m. Monday in the Union Hall at 509 E. Washington street.

Aaron Boone is president and T. R. Darden Sr. is advisor.

Moses A. Riddick Jr., member of the Nansemond County Board of Supervisors, will address the Voter Registration Committee of the Metropolitan Baptist Church Tuesday night at 7 in the educational building. The Rev. D. W. Lamb is pastor of the church.

The Citizens Committee of Sandy Bottom will meet in the school annex building Tuesday night at 8:30 p. m. James Lee Diggs is chairman.

Suffolk citizens are asked to meet in the Odd Fellows Hall Wednesday night, June 17, at 8. The Rev. H. W. Bell is chairman.

In all civic meetings, progress reports will be made on the current voter registration drive, under the sponsorship of the Independent Voters League.

Above is, (center) Moses A. Riddick Voter-registration project director explaining voting literature to workers of city of Suffolk, VA.

Exhibit (E)

More Than 100 Register In Crash Voter Drive

Issue Suffolk-New Herald June 16, 1964

SUFFOLK — The first phase of the crash voter-registration campaign, under sponsorship of the Independent Voters League, ended June 13 with over 100 persons registering in a single day.

According to Raye V. Knight, county registrar, a line formed from his office door shortly after 10:30 a. m., and gradually extended down the steps from the second floor office to the entrance of the building on the first floor. "It remained that way" he continued, "until about 1:40 p. m."

CIVIC LEAGUE workers were busy transporting registrants from all sections of Nansemond county, most of whom qualified under the new "certificate of residency" law.

Eli Ricks, IVL president, stated that approximately 200 new voters had been added to the qualified list since the crash drive has been in effect and that the registration campaign would continue when the books open again on July 15.

JUST PRIOR to the close of the first phase of the campaign, the IVL completed a list of some 90 canvassers in Suffolk and Nansemond and 20 workers in Isle of Wight and Southampton counties.

President Ricks also stated that the county goal is 1000 new voters and 500 for the city of Suffolk. The deadline for registering to vote in the November general election is October 2.

Results of first Phase of Vote-drive ended June 13.

Exhibit (F.)

In the line for freedom

June 13, 1964

End of first
Phase of
Vote-Drive

Exhibit (G.)

Above is a part of a line of over 100 persons who ~~xxxxxxxxxxxxxx~~ for the first time, qualified as first-class citizens by registering as voters here last Saturday June 13. According to county ~~xxxxxxx~~ registrar Raye Knight, the line ~~xxxx~~ extended from his office on the 2nd floor to the first floor enterance.

Here Moses A. Riddick, Jr., director of the campaign gives last-minute instructions to registrants.

All church civil Rights committees of Suffolk and Nassemond County have these scrolls posted in their churches - this causes the Non-Registered church members to get themselves qualified before the deadline. only the qualified voters of the church are listed here on. Moses A. Riddick, Sr. is voter-registration chairman for the N.A.A.C.P.

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NAACP Voter Registration Campaign

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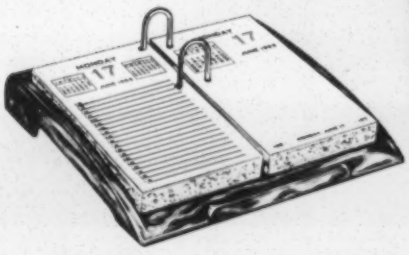

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OUR BATTLE CRY IN '6[illegible]...

"VOTE THE RASCALS OUT"

This cry will alert a l l NAACP branches to campaign actively to defeat any United States Senator or Congressman who obstructed, watered down or voted against a meaningful civil rights bill.

This is in accordance with the NAACP Resolution on Civil Rights No.1, adopted by the National Board of Directors, September 9, 1963. The Board's action confirms the action taken at the 54th Annual NAACP Convention held in Chicago July 1963.

"VOTE THE RASCALS OUT"

NAACP · FOUNDED-1909 · over 50 years

National Association for the
Advancement of Colored People
Voter Registration Committee
301 East Clay Street
Richmond, Virginia, 23219

Additional copies may be secured from the above address

IN BLUNT FRANK TERMS

There cannot be any compromise or allegiance to party loyalty to any incumbent senator or congressman who is against a strong civil rights bill.

Professional campaign workers may tell you, "He didn't vote for the civil rights bill, but (there is always a but) give him time, he will have a change of heart."

RIDICULOUS -If the following events (which happened in 1963) didn't change his views on the need for a strong civil rights bill, he won't change. VOTE THE RASCAL OUT!!

NA.A.C.P.'s Crusade For Voters

HIGHLIGHTS OF MURDERS IN 1963

...WILLIAM E. MOORE, white male, killed for walking peacefully through Alabama in protest against discrimination.

...MEDGAR EVERS, Negro male, NAACP Field Secretary, assassinated in Mississippi because he believed in real American democracy.

...NEGRO CHILDREN killed and maimed in Birmingham because they went to church to attend Sunday School. This church was bombed by segregationists intent upon keeping Negroes in their place.

...PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY, white male, assassinated in Texas because he like Medgar Evers, believed in real American democracy.

...AND SOME CONGRESSMEN AND SENATORS HAVE THE NERVE TO SAY, "AMERICA DOES NOT NEED A STRONG CIVIL RIGHTS BILL."

ATTENTION NAACP MEMBERS (400,000 Strong) AND ALLIES

Start today carrying the NAACP's political action program for 1964 to the lay leaders and grass root people of your community. In every community voters should be heard saying, "PARTY LINES BE HANGED IN '64, we are going to vote against any congressman or senator who obstructed the passage of a strong civil rights bill."

This may mean that in some areas we will have to hold our noses and vote for a rank segregationist. It is better to elect to office a rank segregationist with no committee powers than to keep in office a 95% segregationist incumbent with great committee power and seniority. IF WE CAN VOTE A RANK SEGREGATIONIST IN, WE CAN VOTE HIM OUT if he does not change. Politicians understand this kind of language.

In your community, let our battle cry be heard

"VOTE

THE

RASCALS

OUT"

ATTENTION ALL BRANCHES

In 1964, all branches will organize their communities to give grass root voting support to:

1. The Civil Rights Resolution passed by our National Board September 9, 1963.
2. The speeches of Roy Wilkins, Executive Secretary and John A. Morsell, Assistant to the Executive Secretary; i.e., Roy Wilkins' "Fight Segregation with Ballots" Orangeburg, S. C. November 13, 1963: "If you want to get rid of Strom Thurmond, (U. S. Senator from South Carolina) and other segregationists you have to do it at the ballot box not at the 'cussin' box," the NAACP leader said. When the enthusiastic audience booed mention of the Senator's anti-civil rights record, Mr. Wilkins reminded the crowd that "voting is better than booing."

   John Morsell's "After the March On Washington - What Now?" Fredericksburg, Virginia October 11, 1963: "The Negro Americans and allies are looking for a strong civil rights bill, and that is the basis upon which they will make their reckoning when election day 1964 comes around."
3. Memorandum September 24, 1963: to NAACP branches RE: Action Required on Civil Rights Bill, from Gloster B. Current, Director of Branches.
4. Mrs. Medgar Evers at Kennedy Memorial in Chicago, JET, December 12, 1963: "Declaring, 'I know exactly how Mrs. Jacqueline Kennedy, the First Lady of our country, feels,'

Mrs. Myrlie Evers compared the death of her husband to the death of President Kennedy because 'they were similar in so many ways.'

"Mrs. Evers told the crowd, 'my heart goes out to Mrs. Kennedy. I know exactly what she is going through...I know what it is to hold a dead husband in your arms...' With her voice almost breaking, Mrs. Evers cried, 'she heard the shot and held her husband's blood-stained head in her arms...I heard the shot that killed my husband and held his head, too...'

Mrs. Evers said the President's death showed 'that no one is safe in this country and those people who keep quiet about civil rights and refuse to speak out are not safe either. I can't help feeling,' she added, 'that if the politicians --maybe I should not name them because we all know who they are--but if they had not been allowed to go as far as they did this murder of the President would not have happened.'

"She further stated, 'The only difference was that one was black and one was white...Both dedicated to helping all mankind. Medgar died for helping his people and the President died for helping his country.'"

Read this entire brochure aloud in ALL private and public meetings.

APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION

NOTE: Section 20 of the Constitution of Virginia provides who may register, and expressly directs that in the written application to register the applicant shall give certain information. Below are set forth such parts of Section 20 as concern the application.

"Who May Register. Every citizen of the United States, having the qualifications of age and residence required in Section Eighteen, shall be entitled to register, provided: . . .

" . . . . . he make application to register in his own handwriting, without aid, suggestion, or memorandum, in the presence of the registration officer, stating therein his name, age, date and place of birth, residence and occupation at the time and for one year next preceding, and whether he has previously voted, and if so, the state, county and precinct in which he voted last; . . . . ."

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_____ Signature of Applicant

SAMPLE

Quick Quiz on Politics

Politics is one of the best words in the English language. It has been debased only because good people have neglected it. Our communities, our states, our nation, our world will be improved in ratio to the numbers of responsible and unselfish people who become "versed or experienced in the art of government" —hence, politicans.

Are you a good politican? Try these questions as a possible gauge of your political competency. Circle the Yes if that is your answer.

1. Are you registered to vote? Yes

Did you vote *

2. In the most recent primary election? Yes

3. In the most recent general election? Yes

4. In the most recent schoolboard election? Yes

5. Have you ever helped in a political (partisan or nonpartisan) campaign by doing at least two of the following: Yes

- Telephoning?
- Ringing doorbells?
- Volunteering for clerical work?
- Making a voluntary financial contribution?
- Using a car or other facility to get out the voters on election day?

6. Have you ever written a letter on some political issue to any three of the following: Yes

- Your senior United States Senator?
- Your junior United States Senator?
- Your United States Congressman?
- Your governor?
- Your state senator?
- Your state representative?
- Your mayor?
- Your city council?
- Your local newspaper?
- A broadcasting studio?
- A TV or radio news commentator?

7. Have you listened to or read carefully a speech by any political figure with whom you are in strong disagreement? Yes

8. Have you spoken out within the past six months, either in a private discussion or in a public meeting, in defense of your point of view on a political issue? Yes

9. Have you ever attended a political-party meeting on the local, state, or national level? Yes

10. Do you belong to at least one political group, either a political-party club or an independent action group? Yes

11. Have you ever run for public office, or would you be willing to run if you were urged to do so? Yes

12. Have you ever urged any person to run for public office? Yes

13. Have you ever served on a jury without trying to get out of it? Or, if you have never been asked to serve, would you serve if you were asked to do so *this week?* Yes

14. Have you ever visited any three of the following: Yes

- The United States Congress?
- Your state legislature?
- A United States Congressional committee hearing?
- A state legislative committee hearing?
- A court session (juvenile, police, criminal, etc.)?
- A court ceremony for new citizens?
- A meeting of your schoolboard?
- A meeting of your county supervisors?
- A meeting of your city council?

15. Have you made it a point to meet any two of the following: Yes

- Your senior United States Senator?

* One politically-minded teacher said, "I always make it a practice to vote before school so I can say during the day that I have already voted when I suggest that students urge their parents to vote."

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How Do I Address My Governor? My Mayor? My Congressman?
Tho handbooks differ, "The Honorable . . ." is an accepted pattern.

The Honorable John Doe
United States House of Representatives
Washington 25, D. C.
Dear Congressman Doe:

Simply change the title and address for any of your elected officials.

Your junior United States Senator?
Your United States Congressman?
Your state senator?
Your state representative?
Your mayor?

Can you give the first and last names of

16.	Your senior United States Senator?	Yes
17.	Your junior United States Senator?	Yes
18.	Your United States Congressman?	Yes
19.	Your governor?	Yes
20.	Your state senator?	Yes
21.	Your state representative?	Yes
22.	Your chief state school officer?	Yes
23.	Your mayor or the head of your local unit of government?	Yes

Do you know the stand on educational legislation of

24.	Your senior United States Senator?	Yes
25.	Your junior United States Senator?	Yes
26.	Your United States Congressman?	Yes
27.	Your governor?	Yes
28.	Your state senator?	Yes
29.	Your state representative?	Yes

Can you summarize the legislative program of

30.	Your state education association?	Yes
31.	Your national education association?	Yes

Have you done anything to help promote

32.	Better state legislation?	Yes
33.	Better federal legislation?	Yes

SUGGESTIONS:

1. ***Why not compute the score of your association?*** Thru this questionnaire, it is possible to obtain not only an individual score, but the score of a group.

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2. ***Discuss a possible revision of this questionnaire.*** The questionnaire is a suggestive score sheet. It is limited to the teacher's participation in governmental affairs. Your group may want to develop a revised list of questions.

3. ***Use this score sheet only as a beginning of activities.*** Even if your association's score is *Excellent*, this is still the first step. Write to the NEA Citizenship Committee for additional suggestions.

4. ***Send your comments on the questionnaire to the NEA Citizenship Committee.*** Or, if you develop another form, send a copy. The committee is interested in items you think should be added or eliminated.

This questionnaire was developed by the NEA Citizenship Committee. To assist local associations to increase the political know-how of teachers, the committee has a packet of proposals for civic practices. Each suggested practice describe an idea for action and spells it out in terms of *what*, *why*, and *how*, together with supplementary considerations important to the enterprise. The first packet of civic practices, *A Pocketful of Ideas*, is now available. Request it today from the NEA Citizenship Committee.

TO SCORE

Count three points for each circled Yes. Add one point to total. SCORE _____

A	**90-100**	**Excellent**
B	**80-90**	**Good**
C	**70-80**	**Fair**

Below 70—Politically unsatisfactory!

June 16, 1964

Mr. Moses Riddick, Jr.
Nansemond Voter Project
2333 Norfolk Road
Suffolk, Virginia

RE: VEP 4-19

Dear Mr. Riddick:

According to our records, we have received no reports from you to cover the period from May 13 through the 25th.

Would you kindly send us these reports at your earliest convenience so that we may bring our records up-to-date?

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Barbara I. Whitaker
Research Assistant

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VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: Nansemond Voters Project

Period covered by this report: From May 25 to June 22, 1964

Person reporting Moses A. Riddick, Jr. Executive Director

2333 Norfolk Road	Suffolk	Nansemond	Virginia
Street Address	City	County	State

Date submitted: June 23, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: City of Suffolk, Nansemond, Isle of Wight, Southampton Counties, Virginia

Ward, Beat, etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 300

Number instructed at home Approximately 75

Number instructed at clinics Approximately 75

Number instructed other places 150 (Approx) a. Specify places

Civic League Meetings, churches, lodge meetings, barber shops, beauty parlors, stores, and on the streets.

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 185 for the period from May 25-June 13, 1964

Number successfully registered by this project this week 0

Number denied registration in this project this week 0

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means Approximately 250

a. Specify means Mass meetings, churches, and civic league sessions

Number refusing to participate 0

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 211

Number of workers in the campaign Suffolk, Virginia 25; Nansemond County, 76; Southampton County, 5; Isle of Wight County, 17.

Remarks You will recall that in our last report we stated that our purpose was to have 100 canvassers in Nansemond County and 40 in the City of Suffolk. Due to a "Log Jamb" of work in the Voter Registration Campaign, it was almost impossible for us to complete those registration numbers until now. We were forced to spend some time in the other two counties perfecting our organization there. We were able to increase our canvassing staff in Southampton County from two to five, Isle of Wight County, from 11 to 17. We plan to have our Voter Registration Program completed in all three counties and the City of Suffolk within the next seven days.

Since the close of the registration drive on June 13, we are now perfecting our plans and organization; inasmuch as we were able to increase our vote by 211 persons, with 111 being registered in one day (June 13, the registration deadline), we are cashing in on the publicity of the first phase of the campaign. We feel that our success was of such that we should not let up in our propaganda campaign; we should step up our publicity drive in order that greater interest among none voters may be stimulated so that when the registration books are opened again on July 15, we shall receive a greater response in our registration efforts than we have in the past.

Therefore, we have devised ways and means to continue the canvassing activities from June 13 until July 15. The Surfolk-Nansemond Co-ordinating Committee is sponsoring a public mass meeting this Sunday at 8:00 P. M. in the East End Baptist Church, Suffolk, Virginia, with the Rev. L. Francis Griffin of Farmville, Virginia as the principal speaker. The meeting will serve for two purposes: to make a desegration report on the stores and schools in this area dn a report on the Voter Registration Drive in the City of Suffolk. On Tuesday, June 30, the Cope Committee of Local 26 will hold a meeting for the purpose of stimulating greater interest among its 1600 Union members in the Voter Registration Campaign. Moses A. Riddick will serve as guest speaker and also distribute campaign literature to all shop stewards of the Union. Mrs. Flossie Jones is Cope Committee Chairman of Local 26 AFL-CIO. Participating in the work also, is Local S. 5390, Local Woodworkers Union AFL-CIO. Their Cope Committee meeting will be held on July 7 in the Union Hall, 509 East Washington Street, at which time, yours truly will offer the address, distribute campaign kits, and explain the literature.

On Tuesday night, June 30 at 7:30 o'clock, the Civil Rights Committee of the Metropolitan Baptist Church is sponsoring a Voter Registration Rally among its members. The Executive Secretary of the Independent Voters League and the president, Mr. Eli Ricks, will be the guest speakers. Campaign literature will be distributed and explained to all workers of the organization. The Rev. D. W. Lamb is pastor of the church. On Sunday, July 19 at 5:00 P.M., a meeting of all officials of the Civic Leagues in the Tri-County Area, as well as social, civic, lodge, fraternal, and church organizations will be held in the Union Hall, 509 East Washington Street. At this time, a film will be shown on "Politics from the Cradle to the Grave"; slide film strips will also be shown on the issues and their importance in a campaign. During this meeting, specific assignments will be given to all organizations; Civic Leagues will be requested toget ten persons to qualify on Saturday morning, July 18. If all 26 Civic Leagues in Suffolk and Nansemond County would bring ten persons to the registrars' offices on that date, we would be able to get 260 persons registered in a single day. This is our goal in Suffolk and Nansemond County for July 18. This is why our propaganda should be steeped up at this time and permitted to continue throughout the 30 day period at which time the registration books are closed. These films which we referred to, will also be shown in all Civic Meetingsbetween now and the July 18 "March to Freedom."

It has been my experience that whenever you get Negroes stimulated and deeply interested in a matter, you should "Pour on the Heat", rather than call a recess period, which will necessitate you having to re-stimulate them later on during the period of the campaign.

Respectfully submitted,

Moses A. Riddick, Jr.

Moses A. Riddick, Jr.
Executive Director

P.S. thanks for the second installment of $500. due on a $1,500 grant. the funds have been deposited and a portion used during the first phase of of campaign.

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VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: Nansemond Voters Project

Period covered by this report: From June 22 to July 1, 1964

Person reporting Moses A. Riddick, Jr., Executive Director

2333 Norfolk Road,	Suffolk,	Nansemond	Virginia
Street Address	City	County	State

Date submitted: July 3, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: City of Suffolk and Nansemond, Isle of Wight and Southampton Counties, Virginia

Ward, Beat, etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 350

Number instructed at home Approximately 100

Number instructed at clinics Approximately 75

Number instructed other places 1500 a. Specify places

Civic league meetings, churches, stores, barber shops, beauty shops and by soundtrucks which travel from community to community.

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week Reports from canvassers show that we have a waiting list of 67 persons prepared to register on Saturday, July 18, "Freedom March"

Number successfully registered by this project this week none

Number denied registration in this project this week none

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means 2500 (Approximately)

a. Specify means Mass meetings, Church Worship services at which time handbills are distributed and at all civic league meetings which are held in all sections each month.

Number refusing to participate none

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 211

Number of workers in the campaign Suffolk City 41; Nansemond County 100; Southampton County 25; Isle of Wight County 23.

Remarks

Our remarks will follow on the next pages:

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Voter Education Project Report

In a recent communication, you suggested that we curtail our expenses during the period when our registration books are closed and shift the five-hundred dollars ($500) grant for the July month back to August , 1964. This will be extremely difficult because of previous committments which were made on the bases of our planned voter-registration program. Our program took into account the June 13-July 15 period at which time the registration books would be closed; so, we arranged our program as follows:

(1) Prior to the deadline, we spent money and consumed much time and energy stimulating interest among our people in our new crash voter-registration program. Now that we have our program and organization perfected, with interest mounting, there is a suggestion that we slow-down our activity by shifting from one period to another. I'm sure you realize how serious a mistake of this kind can be especially when we are operating on a 3-month planned and scheduled program. I am certain , also, that you realize the set-backs and difficulties we would saffer in a program of this kind in recreating interest among Negroes. It has been my experience that while interest is high and mounting, for heaven sakes, add more money and fuel to the Negroes fire rather than suggesting a slow-down or shifting of the program on him.

(2) Our first "Freedom March" is scheduled for July 18th. from 10:00 A.M. until 1:30 P.M. Plans are for two-hundred eighty (280) persons to march on the registrar's office and qualify on that day. We now have over 67 persons ready to qualify. The registrars have been notified to employ extra clerks to help qualify the registrants.

(3) All 141 vote-canvassers are pledged to bring to the Registrar's offices not less than two (2) persons to qualify on July 18.

(4) All twenty-six (26) city and county civic leagues are giving much aid to their community canvassers in accomplishing this goal.

(5) A news clipping will show that both local labor unions have met and revived their C.O.P.E. Committee activities and are supporting this July 18 "Freedom March". The unions are Local 26 RWDSU A.F.L.-CIO and Local 390 Woodworker of America A.F.L.-C.I.O., Suffolk, Virginia. Local 26 has 1600 members and Local S. 390 has 1100 members.

(6) Moses A. Riddick, Jr. has been appointed state-wide assistant chairman.--Elks Lodge.

(7) Our church civil Right Committees have started working on church membership rolls. I spoke in the regular services of the largest church in our city, the Metropolitan Baptist, Rev. D.W. Lamb, Pastor, with a membership of eight hundred (800). I shall speak in as many churches as possible during the length of the campaign.

(8) Leaders of all lical organizations, civic leagues included, will meet Sunday, July 12 in the Union Hall at 4 P.M. in order to kick-off this second phase of our program and to support strongly, the organizations and canvassers in their efforts to have two registrants to qualify on July 18, 1964. The speaker for the occassion is Attorney Lloyd L. Hurst, Chairman of New York State Commission on Human Rights. Mr. Hurst is a native of Suffolk, Virginia.

(9) Our organization has purchased a film entitled, "Politics is Our Business", at a cost of $150.00. This film shows "grass-roots" political action work from the precinct level to the "White House".
We also have a slide-film projector; here we can take pictures of certain conditions in our areas and point out defects in the government as to why such conditions exist; and most times they exist because the people don't vote.
Pictures are shown in each civic meeting.

(10) Our soundtrucks will go into operation one

week before the 18th. of July "Freedom March"; they will be operated daily from 4 P.M. until 9 P.M. by the local youth chater of the N.A.A.C.P.

(11) The youth chapter will also distribute all handbills during the canvass; you are in possession of the kind of handbills we distribute.

With such a planned and scheduled program in progress, it is obvious that the cutting-off or shifting of funds would greatly hamper in our efforts to build the vote; we could not meet all our obligations as planned. So, if possible, please forward our check to us as planned and we thank you for any extension possible.

Respectfully submitted,

Moses A. Riddick, Jr.
Executive Director

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Nansemond County News

Reporter. Office: 2333 Norfolk Road, Suffolk Phone: 539-6662

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Civic League CALENDAR

SUFFOLK— The HoHand-Holy Neck Civic meeting will be held on Monday night at 8 o'clock in the Community Center. The speakers will be supervisor Moses A. Riddick, Jr. and Eli Ricks.

Mrs. Ruby Walden is president.

The Elephant Fork Civic League meeting will be held on Monday night at 8:30 o'clock in the Healing Chapel Baptist Church. The Rev. A. Whitaker is pastor. H. M. Riddick will be the guest speaker.

Willie Baker is president of the league.

N. Y. Lawyer Speaks At Suffolk Church July 12

SUFFOLK — Attorney Lloyd L. Hurst, chairman of New York State Commission for Human Rights, will be the principal speaker for the annual Men's Day services of First Baptist Church here Sunday, July 12 at 11 a. m.

Commissioner Hurst, a native of Suffolk, and son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hurst, local businessman, was graduated from Booker T. Washington high school and New York University law school. He was appointed to the New York State Commission for Human Rights in 1962 by Governor Nelson Rockerfeller.

MR. HURST will also speak at 4 p. m. on the same day at a voter-registration rally under the sponsorship of the Independent Voters League of Virginia in the Union Hall. At that time some 140 vote-canvassers of the area will make progress reports on the campaign.

Eli Ricks is president of the Independent Voters League, and the Rev. Isaac E. Williams is pastor of First Baptist Church, Suffolk.

Independent Voters League Board To Meet

SUFFOLK— The monthly meeting of the executive board of the Independent Voters League of Virginia will be held on Wednesday night at 8:30 o'clock in the headquarters at 2333 Norfolk road, Suffolk, it was announced by the president, Eli Ricks.

According to president Ricks, reports will be called for canvassing for new voters, memberships and plans to step-up the vote-campaign when the registration books open on Wednesday, July 15.

A special invitation is extended to members of the Women's Auxiliary of the I. V. L.

Clipping for July 18, 1964 issue of Journal and Guide

'None Free Until All Are', Speaker Tells Men

SUFFOLK — "Until all are free, none of us are completely free," was a principle that Medger Evers and President Kennedy believed in and died for, said Lloyd L. Hurst, New York state commissioner for Human Rights, Sunday during his address for the annual Men's Day services at First Baptist Church here.

Mr. Hurst stated further that if we are to be completely free, we must also believe in that principle and be willing to make many sacrifices in upholding it,, even if it means our lives.

THE SPEAKER was introduced by Dr. James E. Richards, pharmacist.

Matthew H. Lewis, guest soloist, sang a selection, "Peace Be Still."

Commissioner Hurst also addressed the citizens of Suffolk and Nansemond county in a voter-registration mass meeting Sunday at 4 p. m. in the Union Hall.

During this address, he stressed the importance of politics and the ballot in this gigantic struggle for "freedom."

This meeting launched the second phase of the "crash voter-registration campaign which got underway on May 1 and is scheduled to close on Oct. 2.

Civic League CALENDAR

SUFFOLK — The Chuckatuck Civic League will meet on Monday night, July 20, at 8 p. m. in the Sandy Bottom School annex.

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Neither registrar reported any disturbance during the registration, in spite of crowded conditions in their offices.

Nearly all persons who applied were registered, they reported. In registering for the federal election, applicants were required to fill out a form which asked for name, age, date and place of birth, residence, occupation, whether they had ever voted before in this state, and if so, where.

The city registrar said he had a man and wife apply who had only been here two weeks, so were ineligible. Four others, he said, were unable to fill out the form successfully, and one person was disqualified when found to be copying someone else's form.

The county registrar said almost all of the people who registered Saturday were registering for the federal election in November. A few others, he said, had become 21 last year but had not paid their poll tax. County offices were closed Saturday, so these people were unable to take care of the poll tax requirement for voting in local and state elections. Knight said they indicated they would pay the poll tax next week and be back to register.

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Standins Return

MR. AND MRS. S. G. Standin and son, George, have returned home after a two-week tour of Canada. While away they attended a meeting of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company at the Royal York Hotel in Toronto and visited Lt. Col. and Mrs. Douglas Digsby at Ottawa.

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Democratic Convention Delegates Are Elected

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Some 200 members of 17 rural electric cooperatives in Virginia and Maryland are expected to attend.

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Charles Landrum To Be Installed

An installation service for the Rev. Charles Logan Landrum Jr., new pastor of Suffolk Presbyterian Church, will be conducted on Wednesday night, at 8 p.m. at the Birdsong Recreation Center.

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The dog was taken to a Suffolk veternarian, where he is said to be in shock. Trooper Cummings said the dog offered no resistance when members of the family were removed from the wrecked automobile, but resisted being taken from it.

A thorough investigation continues today the trooper said. There was no other automobile involved, and members of the family were in no condition to be questioned late Saturday.

City May Lose Train Service

Suffolk may lose passenger train service now provided by Norfolk and Western's Powhatan Arrow.

The N & W is seeking permission to terminate the Powhatan Arrow at Petersburg, cutting off the run through Suffolk between Petersburg and Norfolk. A hearing before the State Corporation has been set for Oct. 19.

Lack of passenger traffic is given as the reason for seeking termination of this segment of the service. Dining car service between Norfolk and Roanoke on the train has already been terminated.

The Powhatan Arrow has operated between Norfolk and Cincinnati since 1946. It leaves Norfolk going west at 6:30 a.m. EDT and arrives in Cincinnati at 9:55 p.m. The eastbound train leaves Cincinnati at 8:45 a.m. and arrives in Norfolk at 2:30 a.m. EDT.

Good Morning

From Associated Press Wires

The Soviet government suggests the Western powers should work for establishment of peaceful cooperation and mutual understanding between East and West Germany.

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President Johnson condemns "clandestine hate organizations" Saturday and pledges that the federal government will step in wherever local authorities fail to halt violence, terror and savagery.

Congress, after taking a week off for the Republican National Convention, reconvenes Monday with advance warning from Senate Majority Leader Mike Mansfield, D-Mont., that partisan in-fighting could delay adjournment until snow is on the ground.

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Sen. Allen J. Ellender, D-La., says he plans "to raise a little hell" in the Senate next week about "serious abuses in a multimillion-dollar presidential contingency fund for foreign aid."

Byrd Overrode, LBJ Endorsed

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He will be installed as pastor of the church Sunday, June 26 at the 7:30 p.m. service. Several out-of-town ministers will participate in the service, Farley said.

The Rev. Farley was born in the Philippines and received his elementary education at Battle Creek, Mich.

He was attending North Carolina State College at Raleigh, majoring in forestry, when he first became interested in ministry. He attended the Presbyterian church near the college, became active in the young people's organization and under the influence of the minister of the church he decided to dedicate his life to the ministry. After attending that college for two years, he transferred to Davidson College and later received his masters degree in tehology. He was graduated in June from the Union Theological Seminary in Richmond where he received his bachelor of divinity degree.

During his education at the Union Theological Seminary he got a leave of absence and spent

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New Minister

The Rev. Benjamin Wirt Farley of Franklin, is shown with a miniature Arabian tea service which Mr. Farley bought when he was spending some time in the Holy Lands. Mr. Farley is the new minister of Franklin Presbyterian Church.

Dr. Samuel Sheppard Weds Blonde Divorcee

CHICAGO (AP) — Dr. Samuel Sheppard and a blonde divorcee were married Saturday, climaxing a romance-by-mail that began when he was in prison.

The ceremony was performed in a suite in the Conrad Hilton Hotel by Nicholas Kure, a magistrate of the Circuit Court.

Paul Holmes, a reporter for the Chicago Tribune who has written extensively about the Sheppard case and who accompanied Sheppard and his fiancee, Ariane Tebbenjohanns, to Chicago from Ohio, told newsmen of the wedding.

Reporters other than Holmes were not admitted.

F. Lee Bailey of Boston, attorney for Sheppard, served as best man. Bailey's wife, Froma, attended. So did Holmes and his wife, Miriam.

Dr. Sheppard, who may have to return to the penitentiary next week, wore a tailored blue suit that his bride had ordered and purchased.

Holmes told other newsmen the couple planned to stay in Chicago Saturday night and to head for the Cleveland area, probably by automobile, Sunday.

He said the bride had rented a home in Rocky River, Ohio.

The couple had disappeared twice since their arrival in Chicago late Friday night.

After 12 hours in hiding, they walked into the Cook County Chicago Marriage Bureau, got a license and drove off.

The bride-to-be, a striking figure in a black and white dress with hood to match, and Sheppard, dressed in a grey suit, white shirt and blue tie, went to the counter to go through the formalities.

Sheppard displayed her wedding present to him. It was a watch made of two $20 gold pieces, enclosed in a leather case.

"The only thing I am able to give her," he said, "is me."

He said it had taken him nine years to earn $430 in prison. But, he made clear, he would pay the $10 license fee.

They provided the necessary information and blood test reports. Jamraz said that such reports must bear the date of the predid, but there was no explanavious day. These apparently tion.

Both said they had been married once before. She said she was divorced Nov. 6, 1957 in Dusseldorf.

"It's in West Germany," she volunteered. "That's very important."

Mrs. Tebbenjohanns became interested in the Sheppard case in 1959. She wrote to his family that she believed him innocent. She began writing to Sheppard.

They met in January 1963 while she was visiting in the United States. She came to this country to stay a year ago.

Mrs. Tebbenjohanns was married formerly to the heir to a German steel fortune. She has an 11-year-old daughter.

'Nay' Vote

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financial burdens.

Other Councilmen agreed, or appeared to agree, with the points made by Kelley. But they all cast their usual "aye" vote on the matter.

Councilman Kelley's other "nay" vote since 1959 was on a matter concerning temporary investment of city funds, a practice followed by many cities. The Council had previously decided to invest a certain amount of money in U. S. Government Bonds. But a presentation had been made by a local representative of an investment firm, one which wanted the City Council to consider investing the funds with the company rather than in government bonds.

When voting time came on the matter, the majority of Councilmen voted "aye," meaning they wanted to proceed with investment of the funds in government bonds. Councilman Kelley voted "nay."

Former Councilman Hedspeth cast his "nay" vote at that same 1962 meeting, but it was on another matter. He voted against approving a request by the Suffolk-Nansemond Junior Chamber of Commerce to lease or sublet a portion of the Suffolk Airport, which they wanted to use for sports car races. The other Councilmen, of course, voted "aye."

VMI Receives $10,000 Grant

LEXINGTON, Va. (AP) — The Atomic Energy Commission has made a $10,000 grant to Virginia Military Institute to help purchase a SCIPP-400 Multichannel Analyzer and auxiliary equipment.

Total cost of the equipment which will be used in the VMI nuclear laboratory with the subcritical assembly which was installed in 1961, is estimated at $12,225.

UVA Receives Large Grant

CHARLOTTESVILLE (AP) — The U. S. Public Health Service has approved a seven-year, $1.5 million grant to the University of Virginia Medical Center for investigation into the improved ability to care for cardiac-surgery patients during the post-operative period.

Budgetary

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complishments — cited by Benton were the Constance Rd. bypass, the recently completed Market St. project, establishment of municipal off-street parking, construction of school facilities, the new Municipal Building, Fire Station and Morgan Memorial Library. Improvements in sewage systems and construction of the sewage treatment plant were also pointed to, and he cited the Lipton Tea plant, the building of Hillcrest (the new privately-owned senior citizens residence) and the new American Bank Building, among other such improvements.

While such city improvements have been carried out and aid for, Benton pointed out, there has been a curtailment of State funds that come to the city. He pointed out that while funds coming here had been curtailed or limitations put on some of the city's revenue sources, State requirements have caused additional expenditures of locally-raised money.

Suffolk is only using 55 per cent of its debt ability, the mayor pointed out. He said the city was being operated sensibly, and that City Manager James C. Causey Jr. had "streamlined" the city's services and payroll.

Commenting on the city's increased real estate property tax rate, Benton said Suffolk is still 11th from the top when the "true tax rates of Virginia cities are compared He said he thinks that tax is as high as it should go, and that the City Council favors a retail sales tax.

Speaking on future developments, Benton said finding and implementing a solution to problems in the Saratoga area and other such areas is one of the toughest situations faced by the city. Commenting on a possible redevelopment program, he pointed to the joint committee recently formed by the city and Nansemond County to study the redevelopment proposal.

Although these areas are in the county, they are of concern to the city and its future, he said. The city-county line is imaginary, he said, and typhoid and other diseases do not recognize an imaginary boundary.

Funeral Today George Harrell

George Harrell, 106 Woodrow Avenue, son of the late Mrs. Jessie Harrell, died Friday in Louise Obici Hospital. He was a native of Hertford, N. C.

His survivors are cousins.

Funeral services will be conducted Sunday at 3 p. m. in Cooke Funeral Home. Burial will be in Pleasant Hill Cemetery. The family will assemble at the home of Zannie Anderson, 404 N. 9th Street, Hollywood.

Summer Band Camp Planned

FRANKLIN — Edwin Barton, band director at Franklin High School, has announced a "summer band day camp" to be held at the school's band room next week.

The camp is open to all Franklin High School and Elementary School students in grades 6, 7, 8 and 9, beginning Monday, July 20, and ending July 26.

Classes will be from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday. On Saturday there will be a dress rehearsal. On Sunday afternoon, time and place to be announced later, there will be an outdoor concert which will be the result of the weekly program, and will consist of full band rehearsals, selectional rehearsals and recreation.

Shorts will be permitted at the school. Students are to bring their lunches, and the band committee will provide soft drinks.

Assistants are to be Catherine Lloyd, Donald Rideout, Hunter Bristow and Melinda Larsh, all members of the senior high school band.

Joyner Funeral Is Held Friday

Funeral services for Nimrod Powell Joyner were conducted Friday at 4 p. m. in the Hill Funeral Home by the Rev. R. E. Brittle. Burial was in Holly Lawn Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Jack Harrup, Lewis Harrup, Phillip Harrup, Kermit Harrup, David Harrup, C. T. Copeland, Tom Williams and Rudolph Byrd.

Nurney Dies; Dies On Friday

WINDSOR — Willie Ward Nurney, 54, died unexpectedly Friday at 5 p. m. at his home near Windsor.

Funeral services will be conducted today at 2 p. m. in the Hill Funeral Home, Suffolk, by the Rev. H. E. Arrington, pastor of Windsor Baptist Church. Burial will be in Mill Swamp Baptist Church cemetery.

He was a member of Windsor Baptist Church and was the son of the late William and Cornellia Edwards Nurney of Isle of Wight County.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Violet Lewis Nurney of the home, a daughter, Miss Carolyn Judith Nurney of the home, a son, Carlton Bert Nurney of Newport News; three sisters, Mrs. Jackie Nurney Turner of Suffolk and Mrs. George Moore and Mrs. Olivia Nurney Jurscaga, both of Newport News; two brothers, Corbitt Nurney and Crawley Nurney of Smithfield; and one grandchild.

Holloman, Davis To Attend Camp

COURTLAND — Bobby Holloman, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Holloman of Newsoms, and Paul Davis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Beaman Davis, of Courtland, will attend the 4th Virginia Annual Forestry Camp July 27-August 1 at Jamestown 4-H Camp.

"This week should be a unique 4-H experience for youth, says G W. Nichols, assistant agricultural agent. "They will be playing forestry, working forestry and studying forestry. By the end of the week they should know how important forestry is to our economy and have a knowledge of management practices."

The camp is sponsored by the agricultural extension service of VPI, in cooperation with the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company of Virginia.

The Courtland Ruritan Club assisted the boys in attending this camp.

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Democratic Convention

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ton Stublen of Portsmouth and Simon Leary of Chesapeake; 3rd, Fergus McRee of Richmond, Mrs. J. Thomas Burch of Henrico County, B. Wade Isaacs of Henrico and H. P. Armstrong of Colonial Heights; 4th, John R. Sneddy Jr. of Buckingham County, George S. Lowry of Emporia, Floyd B. Porter of Petersburg and W. E. Neblett of Kenbridge; 5th, J. Frank Wilson of Martinsville, O. L. Roach Jr. of Danville, Frank Booker of Halifax and Raleigh M. Cooley of Hillsville; 6th, William Crosier of Montgomery, Jack Fishwick of Roanoke County, Paul Whitehead of Lynchburg and Alec Coleman of Roanoke; 7th, Mrs. Emily Neblett of Amherst, C. E. May of Rockingham, Col. W. J. Dickinson of Buena Vista and John Clem of Staunton; 8th John W. Stone of Fauquier, H. Ewing Wall of Prince William, Cecil Dixon of Loudoun and W. O. Lewis of Albermarle; 9th, Mrs. Palmer Counts of Coeburn, Clyde Carter of Giles County, James Fugate of Scott County and Ray Simpson of Pulaski; 10th, Del. Marion Galland of Alexandria, Augustus C. Johnson of Fairfax, and Mrs. Mary Marshall of Arlington.

These elected alternates included:

At large — John G. Venetes Jr., of Petersburg, Leon Kline of Waynesboro, J. Lewis Rawls of Suffolk and Mrs. Thelma Shipman of Clintwood.

From districts 3rd, Mrs. Nell Jones of Richmond and Robert B. Ball of Henrico; 4th, W. A. Watson Jr. of Farmville and L. A Clements of Courtland:. 5th, Ed F. Ramsey of Gretna and H. E. Turner of Fries; 7th, Erwin Soloman of Bath County and Thomas B. Rosenberger of Frederick County; 9th, J. T. Dunn of Bland County and W. E. Raines of Tazewell County.

New Minister

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18 months in Europe and the Holy Lands. He spent a year at the French Protestant Church Retreat Center about 20 miles from Paris. After completing his work there, he joined the Christian Movement for Peace out of Switzerland and spent three months on a collective banana farm near Haifa, Israel. He found the country there made up of Russians, Germans and Poles. They were really pioneers, hard workers and very militant, the minister said. For his work there the country gave him a three-day tour of the country which included a trip to the Red Sea, the Dead Sea and the Negev Desert.

While staying in the Holy Lands, he visited King Solomon's mines, Jerusalem, and other places of interest. While in Jerusalem he bought a miniature Arabian tea service. The Arabs like strong coffee and strong tea and always serve it to their friends and drink it all during the day.

The young man returned home in 1961 to continue his education at the Seminary.

Mrs. Farley is a native of Clifton Forge and was educated at the Richmond Professional Institute and the Medical College of Virginia Hospital School of Nursing. It was during her stay at the school of nursing that she met and married her husband.

The Farleys said they liked living in Franklin and expected to have many wonderful years while serving the Presbyterian Church. The church is made up mostly of young people and the possibility for growth is tremendous, Farley pointed out.

Wiggins Rites Will Be Today

Funeral services for William Jesse Wiggins will be conducted today at 3:30 at Mt. Zuni Baptist Church by the Rev. G. R. Daughtrey. Burial will be in Mt. Zuni Church Cemetery with the Vaughan Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Wiggins, 74, died Thursday at his home, Route 1, Holland after, a long illness.

He is survived by a son, William Scott Wiggins of Cleveland; a foster son, James Horton of Franklin; two sisters, Mrs. Rebbie White of Franklin and Mrs. Lovey Lewis of New York City; four brothers, Israel Wiggins of Franklin, Joe Wiggins of Brooklyn, N.Y., Doss Wiggins of Holland and Buster Wiggins of Philadelphia, Pa., and four grandchildren.

The family will be at the home of Mrs. Hortence Hunter, Route 1, Franklin.

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Many Residents

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well as a member of the Nansemond County Board of Supervisors, said Saturday he would ask at the next meeting of the supervisiors for help for the registrar.

Neither registrar reported any disturbance during the registration, in spite of crowded conditions in their offices.

Nearly all persons who applied were registered, they reported. In registering for the federal election, applicants were required to fill out a form which asked for name, age, date and place of birth, residence, occupation, whether they had ever voted before in this state, and if so, where.

The city registrar said he had a man and wife apply who had only been here two weeks, so were ineligible. Four others, he said, were unable to fill out the form successfully, and one person was disqualified when found to be copying someone else's form.

The county registrar said almost all of the people who registered Saturday were registering for the federal election in November. A few others, he said, had become 21 last year but had not paid their poll tax. County offices were closed Saturday, so these people were unable to take care of the poll tax requirement for voting in local and state elections. Knight said they indicated they would pay the poll tax next week and be back to register.

Poll tax payments are not required in order to register for federal elections, but are still necessary in local and state ones.

The registrars said several white persons registered Saturday, but the vast majority of the people in the lines were colored.

Saturday's was the first "Freedom March" to the registrars. A second one has been scheduled for Aug. 1, and others at two-week intervals. In September, the registration campaign will be stepped up to three days per week, IVL officials say.

M. P. Joyner Funeral Is Held

Funeral services for Mrs. Mamie Peck Joyner were conducted Friday at 2:30 p. m. in the Hill Funeral Home by the Rev. W. A. Grissom, the Rev. James H. Tate and the Rev. J. W. Collins. Burial was in Antioch Christian Church Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Frank Turner Larry Perry, Payne Carr, Dale Joyner, Paul Carr, J. M. Perry, Lloyd C. Carr and Ivan Carr.

George Mayfield Dies Saturday

George Mayfield, 222 Raleigh Avenue, husband of Mrs. Mary Mayfield, died Saturday morning in Veterans Hospital, Richmond. He was a native of Gates County N. C., son of the late George and Maggie Mayfield.

Survivors are his wife; three sons, George Mayfield, Robert Mayfield and William Mayfield, and a daughter, Miss Clarine Mayfield, all of New York; four step-daughters, Mrs. Vivian Barnes, Mrs. Mary Campbell and Mrs. Edith West of Suffolk, Miss Edna Howell of New York; four step-sons, Noah Howell and John W. Howell of new York, James Howell and Columbus Howell of Suffolk; seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

The body is in Cooke Funeral Home. Funeral arrangements will be announced later.

4-H Boys, Girls To Attend Camp

COURTLAND — Southampton 4-H boys and girls will be attending Camp Farrar at Virginia Beach in July.

Senior members, 14 and up, attending July 20-25 are: Chris Allen, Cheryl Blythe, Brenda Cobb, Chris Cobb, Cathy Cornwell, Sheila Gardner, Dale Grissom, June Hundley, Ann Nichols, Connie O'Brien, Fay Thorpe, Terry Grizzard, Vance Kitchen, Nicky Nichols, Kurt Neave, Sidney Rader, Benny Ricks, Dickie Surace and Bobby Holloman.

Junior members, under 14 year of age, attending July 27-August 1 are: Claudia Applewhite, Debra Applewhite, Diane Avent, Dorothy Ballard, Marilyn Bass, Glenda Cornwell, Ann Darden, Buffy Darden, Jeanie Dickerson, Ann Drake, Debra Drake, Sandra Drake, Susan Everett, Linda Grizzard, Brenda Hallstead and Cookie Hancock.

Also Debbie Hundley, Nancy Marks, Natalie Marks, Ann Williams, Gayle Williams, Deborah Worrell, Nancey Pittman, Johnny Ballard, Curtis Drake, Stewart Drake, Herb Edwards, James Arnold Francis, C. P. Griffith, Jerry Halsey, Bill Harrison, Terry Holloman, Tony Holloman, Tommy Lowe, Wayne Lowe, Kilby Rawls, Ronnie Smith, Butch Stieh and Kenny Williams.

Roberta Hudgins Funeral Monday

Funeral services for Miss Roberta Hudgins, 207 Raleigh Avenue, will be conducted Monday at 2 p. m. in Metropolitan Baptist Church. The Rev. D. W. Lamb will officiate.

Burial will be in Carver Memorial Cemetery. Cooke Funeral Home is in charge.

Louise Obici Memorial Hospital

CHAPLAIN OF THE WEEK
Rev. Dwight Moore

VISITING HOURS:
No Morning Visiting Hours
2:30 p.m. to 4 p.m.
7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

BIRTHS:

A son to Mr. and Mrs. Junior Bivins — 323 Wellons St.

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Drew — Rt. 1, Box 10, Dendron

A son to Mr. and Mrs. Harry W. Winborne — Rt. 2, Box 236, Holland

DISCHARGES:

Herman Gordan Presson —Rt. 4, Box 507

Susan Gail Fitzpatrick — 216 Delaney DR.

Mrs. Milton C. Jones and infant son — Rt. 3, Box 715

Dennis Wayne Harrell — Rt. 2, Holland

Carolyn June Harrell — Rt. 2, Holland

Cindy Leigh White — Sunbury, N.C.

Mary Catherine Eley — Obici Nurses Res.

George Bennie Pope — Rt. 2, Holland

James Carlton Whitley — 218 E. Washington St.

William Clarence Davenport — 416 Highland Ave.

Dorothy Edla Carter — 134 Beechwood Dr.

Catherine Helen Page — P.O. Box 1554

George Kozak — 305 Edward Ave.

Bessie Lee Hill — Rt. 1, Box 16, Windsor

Carrie Wilson — 1205 Coastline Ave.

Anna Marie Maddrey — 108 Day St.

Mrs. William Holmes and infant son — Rt. 2, Box 289-A, Smithfield

Mrs. James H. Bailey and infant son — Rt. 1, Box 158, Surry

Alice Evelyn Woodley — 119 Raleigh Ave.

Wongya Guillermo Jones —513 Ocklawaha

William Montgomery Boone — 1101 Custis Rd.

Joseph Jordan Jr. — 448 Seventh St.

Lisa Ann Turner — P.O. Box, Chuckatuck

Thomas Wilford Plaster — Rt. 1, Box 142-A, Windsor

Mildred Arlethia Darden — Rt. 1, Box 124, Holland

Nannie K. Beasley — 329 Culloden St.

Clarence Grant — 622 Mason Ave.

Joseph Pope — 120 North 9th St.

Linwood Raphael Boykins — 2620 Old Norfolk Rd.

Mrs. Ernest Ricks Jr. and infant son — Rt. 1, Box 95, Windsor

CLUB TO MEET

The Young People's Thrift Club will meet Tuesday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Skeeter on the North Carolina Highway.

White Retires From Postal Job

FRANKLIN — Another one of the Whites has retired from the postal service, Thomas P. White, after 36 years, 7 months and four days as clerk in the Franklin Post Office.

He received from the Post Master General an honorary recognition certificate, and a silver tray from the postal employes at the Franklin Post Office.

According to Postmaster Hudson Lankford, White was appointed here November 1, 1927. He will be 66 on October 17.

Mr. and Mrs. White are planning to leave Franklin in late July on a motor trip that will take them to the West Coast. At Parker Dam, Calif., on the Colorado River, they will visit with Mrs. White's brother and family. They will visit in the states of Washington, Oregon, Montana, North and South Dakota and Minnesota. After this trip there will be only two states they have not been in-Hawaii and Alaska.

White has two brothers who have retired from the postal service. Exum White, 1129 Clay Street, Assistant Postmaster here, retired two years ago. Isaac C. White, Sedley Road, has retired as railway postal clerk.

Applications For New Practical Nursing Class Being Accepted

FRANKLIN — Applications for the new practical nurses class at Southampton Memorial Hospital School of Practical Nursing are now being accepted.

The class will begin February 1 -965 under the direction of Mrs. Martin Pearson who will be accepting applications.

The practical nursing school is sponsored by the Franklin School Board and Southampton Memorial unit located in thee hospital.

The current class, which began with 12 students and added one transfer from Elizabeth City, N.C., will end in January. Students will take the state board examination in March.

The twelve-month period is divided into two areas of training, pre-clinical and clinical. Pre-clinical covers the first 16 weeks, during which the major part of basic theory is taught, taking about 30 hours per week. The clinical period consists of 36 weeks, during which the student rotates through major clinical services under supervised experience with patients, taking about 40 hours per week.

Applicants must be between the ages of 17 and 50 years. Those over 25 must have completed at least elementary grades, those 25 or under at least two years of high school. Pre-entrance tests and personal interviews are conducted.

Upon satisfactory completion of the course, each student receives a certificate and a school pin.

The school is approved by the State Department of Education and the State Board of Nurse Examiners.

All graduates are qualified to take the examination of the Virginia Board of Nurse Examiners for Licensed Practical Nurses. Those passing the state board are given licenses.

Woman's Day at St. Timothy's

Mrs. Elma Artis of Suffolk will be the guest speaker today at 11 a. m. during Woman's Day observance at St. Timothy Independent Church, corner of Ninth St. and Norfolk Road.

Music will be presented by the church choir. The Rev. James Copeland is pastor.

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Section Two

Suffolk News-Herald

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Women's News

Miss Margaret Keaton Holland, to Wed Don Sanford Garber

Holland-Garber Engagement Announced: Fall Wedding

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Duke Holland of Holland announce the engagement of their daughter, Margaret Keaton, to Don Sanford Garber, son of Mr. and Mrs. Don Martin Garber of Richmond.

Miss Holland is a graduate of Longwood College where she was a member of the Kappa Delta Sorority. She is now employed as a teacher in Henrico County school system.

The prospective bridegroom is a graduate of Duke University, Durham, N.C. and is employed by Southern States in Charlottesville.

An early fall wedding is planned.

Miss Koontz Entertained At Shower

Miss Kay Koontz, whose marriage to Robert Gillette will take place next month was honor guest Thursday night at a floating miscellaneous shower given by Mrs. James Norfleet, Mrs. Robert Edwards and Mrs. Raymond Babb.

Courtland Personals

The Courtland Methodist Church has postponed its annual picnic from Wednesday, to July 29. Every member is asked to note the change of date and make plans to attend on July 29 beginning at 6:15 p. m.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. York and family have moved into their home recently purchased from Miss Elizabeth Wynn and recently vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Roy Bass who have moved to Sedley.

Cocktail Party Held For Couple

Miss Sandra LoCascio and Herbert Pruden Hollowell Jr., whose marriage will take place July 25 at 3:30 p.m. in St. Mary's Catholic Church, were honor guests Friday night at a cocktail party given by Mr. and Mrs. M. J. English at the home on North Broad St.

The home was decorated with mixed summer flowers.

Others present were Mr. and Mrs. T. J. LoCascio, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Hollowell, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Ashley, Miss Mary Jo LoCascio, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Saecker, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Whitfield Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Norman Daughtrey, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Thedieck, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Holmes, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Brothers, Mrs. R. D. Santo, Mrs. Gus Meloni, Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Dickinson, Miss Grace Brinkley, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Wilcox, Mr. and Mrs. Hunter Haynes, Mr. John Lainenback Jr., Miss Ria Mehalko, Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Goldberg, Mr. and Mrs. John B. Cutter, Miss Susan Birdsong, Miss Virginia Hayes, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Pierce, Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Stott, Mr. and Mrs. Harry J. Pettit, Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Credle, Miss Gloria Byrum, H. L. White Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Thomas J. O'Connor, Mr. and Mrs. James R. Pond, Mrs. C. H. Murden and Miss Ann Coulbourn.

Honored at Cook-Out

Miss LoCascio and Mr. Hollowell were honor guests Saturday night at a cook-out at Sundown Lodge on Lake Prince given by Mr. and Mrs. Tom Skinner Brothers.

Guests included Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Saecker, Miss Mary Jo LoCascio, Tommy Benton, Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. William Branche, Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Goldberg, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Savage III, Mr. and Mrs. John Cutter, John Leinenback, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Credle, Mr. and Mrs. James Keeney, H. L. White, Mr. and Mrs. Pat McDermott, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Ashley Jr., Miss Mary Ann Santo, Miss Judy Cox and Mack Warren.

Mrs. Cecil Edward Martin Jr., who was Miss Mary Eleanor Thornton

Miss Mary Eleanor Thornton Marries Cecil E. Martin Jr.

Miss Mary Eleanor Thornton of Suffolk and Cecil Edward Martin Jr. also of Suffolk, were married Saturday at 4:30 p. m. in the Norfolk Church of Christ, with the Rev. Philip Rutledge Allen, pastor, officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Alden Thornton Jr. of Suffolk and the bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Edward Martin Sr., also of Suffolk.

orchids and sweetheart roses.

Mrs. George Alen Thornton III of Franklin, the bride's sister-in-law, was matron of honor. Brides maids were Mrs. Roy Robertson Richardson of Suffolk, the bridegroom's sister, Mrs. John Clifton Harrell, Miss Margaret Virginia Edwards and Miss Mary Sue Parker all of Suffolk and Miss Katherine Bedloe Salle.

The attendants were gowned alike in floor length balla skirted

Engaged Couple Feted at Dinner

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Calhoun Hingerty entertained Friday night at a reception in the fellowship hall of Bethlehem Church, following the rehearsal of the wedding of Miss Jean Barden and Alfred Hingerty.

The guests were welcomed at the door by Mr. and Mrs. Hingerty.

Others present were Rev. and Mrs. Brittle, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Chappell, Miss Lanneta Lowe, Miss Carol Hingerty, Miss Marjorie Wills and Mr. Jack Knight, Mr. and Mrs. Fenton L. Beale, Mr. and Mrs. T. V. Barden, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Morgan, Mr. and Mrs. Delaney Hingerty.

Also, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Horsley, Miss Carol Barden, Miss Sue Morgan, Miss Bettie Lou Barber, Mr. and Mrs. Curry Richards, Mr. and Mrs. Viola Byrd, Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Barden, Mr. and Mrs. G. K. Green, Miss Kim Green, Miss Marsha Green. Miss Mary Kayee Green, Mr. Frank Crest, Mr. Donnie A. Horsley, Mr. P. B. Piland, Mr. and Mrs. EdMarz, Miss Beth Marz, and Miss Dirran Savage.

Miss Barden and Mr. Hingerty, were entertained last Saturday night, July 1, at a cook-out given by Mr. and Mrs. Delaney Hingerty and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Harsley.

The cook-out was held on the lawn at Providence Church.

Those attending were the wedding party and relatives.

Entertained at Shower

Miss Barden was honored at a miscellaneous shower Wednesday night given by Mrs. R. C. Grady, Mrs. G. K. Green and Mrs. Edward Morz of Norfolk, and Mrs. Lillian Turner of Suffolk.

The shower was held at the home of Mrs. R. C. Grady on Highland Avenue.

The home was decorated with mixed summer flowers. The dining table was laid with a linen tablecloth centered with an arrangement of yellow gladioli surrounded by ivy.

Approximately thirty guests were present.

Buffet Dinner

A buffet dinner was held recently at the home of Mrs. Virginia Smith of 112 Red Oak Trail, Chesapeake, in honor of Miss Barden and Mr. Hingerty.

The dining table was centered with a large candelabra accented with two dozen carnations.

Mrs. Jon Nelson Bolling, the former Miss Judith Barlow

Bolling-Barlow Vows Said In Smithfield Baptist Church

SMITHFIELD — The marriage of Miss Judith Kea Barlow, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Randolph Earl Barlow, of Smithfield, to Jon Nelson Bolling of Richmond, son of Dr. and Mrs. Andrew Jackson Bolling Jr., of Fredericksburg, was solemnized July 18 in the Smithfield Baptist Church, Smithfield, at 4 o'clock.

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Warren Francis Taylor. Mrs. J. Bronson Gale, organist, accompanied Warren Francis Taylor, Jr., who sang "O Perfect Love".

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a traditional wedding gown of pure silk organza appliqued in re-embroider-

made with slender bodices, brief sleeves, and oval necklines. The A line skirts featured watteau panels of embroidered organza topped with pink satin bows. They wore matching headpieces and carried bouquets of Marguerite daisies and roses.

Mr. Bolling had his father as best man. Groomsmen were Andrew Jackson Bolling III, brother of the groom Stanley G;waltney Barlow and Randolph Earle Barlow Jr., twin brothers of the bride; and Charles Griffin McDaniel of Fredericksburg.

Mrs. Walter H. Shearin and Mrs. J. M. Keys were mistresses of ceremonies.

The mother of the bride chose

Announced: Fall Wedding

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Duke Holland of Holland announce the engagement of their daughter, Margaret Keaton, to Don Sanford Garber, son of Mr. and Mrs. Don Martin Garber of Richmond.

Miss Holland is a graduate of Longwood College where she was a member of the Kappa Delta Sorority. She is now employed as a teacher in Henrico County school system.

The prospective bridegroom is a graduate of Duke University, Durham, N.C. and is employed by Southern States in Charlottesville.

An early fall wedding is planned.

Miss Koontz Entertained At Shower

Miss Kay Koontz, whose marriage to Robert Gillette will take place next month was honor guest Thursday night at a floating miscellaneous shower given by Mrs. James Norfleet, Mrs. Robert Edwards and Mrs. Raymond Babb.

The party was held at the Babb home and decorations were of mixed summer flowers.

The receiving line was composed of the honor guest, Mrs. Wesley Philhower, Mrs. Charles Erasmi and Mrs. James Norfleet.

Mrs. Edwards presided at the gift table.

The dining table was laid with a traditional lace cloth and centered with an arrangement of summer flowers in a silver bowl. Punch was poured by Mrs. Herbert Lynch assisted by Mrs. Babb and Mrs. Charles Grefe.

Thirty-five guests called during the evening.

Courtland Personals

The Courtland Methodist Church has postponed its annual picnic from Wednesday, to July 29. Every member is asked to note the change of date and make plans to attend on July 29 beginning at 6:15 p. m.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. York and family have moved into their home recently purchased from Miss Elizabeth Wynn and recently vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Roy Bass who have moved to Sedley.

Billy Magette of Exmore on the Eastern Shore is spending several days with his grandmother, Mrs. Bertie Magette, and with Joe K. Magette Jr.

Mrs. R. L. Vaughan is a patient at Southampton Memorial Hospital in Franklin.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Pulley Jr., were overnight guests of Mrs. Pulley's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Wathall, Wednesday and were accompanied home by their daughter, Miss Jan Pulley, who had visited her grandparents for three weeks.

Engaged Couple Honored

John W. Baker Jr. of Suffolk and Miss Betty Taylor of Petersburg whose marriage will take place in August were honor guests Saturday night at a dinner at the Hotel Suffolk given by Mr. and Mrs. Lewis E. Knowles of Suffolk.

Others present were Dr. and Mrs. Francis N. Taylor, Miss Ann Taylor and Miss Pat Ruffin of Petersburg and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Baker Sr., Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Morgan, Jack West and Bobby House, all of Suffolk.

Goldberg, Mr. and Mrs. John B. Cutter, Miss Susan Birdsong, Miss Virginia Hayes, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Pierce, Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Stott, Mr. and Mrs. Harry J. Pettit, Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Credle, Miss Gloria Byrum, H. L. White Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Thomas J. O'Connor, Mr. and Mrs. James R. Pond, Mrs. C. H. Murden and Miss Ann Coulbourn.

Honored at Cook-Out

Miss LoCascio and Mr. Hollowell were honor guests Saturday night at a cook-out at Sundown Lodge on Lake Prince given by Mr. and Mrs. Tom Skinner Brothers.

Guests included Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Saecker, Miss Mary Jo LoCascio, Tommy Benton, Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. William Branche, Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Goldberg, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Savage III, Mr. and Mrs. John Cutter, John Leinenback, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Credle, Mr. and Mrs. James Keeney, H. L. White, Mr. and Mrs. Pat McDermott, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Ashley Jr., Miss Mary Ann Santo, Miss Judy Cox and Mack Warren.

Mrs. Cecil Edward Martin Jr., who was Miss Mary Eleanor Thornton

Miss Mary Eleanor Thornton Marries Cecil E. Martin Jr.

Miss Mary Eleanor Thornton of Suffolk and Cecil Edward Martin Jr. also of Suffolk, were married Saturday at 4:30 p. m. in the Norfolk Church of Christ, with the Rev. Philip Rutledge Allen, pastor, officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Alden Thornton Jr. of Suffolk and the bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Edward Martin Sr., also of Suffolk.

The church was decorated with white flowers and lighted candles in cathedral holders.

The wedding music was played by Conrad Plyler, organist at West End Baptist, Church, Suffoik. John Baker of Suffolk sang "Because."

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, wore a traditional wedding gown of ivory silk claud peau fashioned with an Empire bodice of Brussels lace which was buttoned up the back with self-covered buttons and designed with a scalloped bateau neckline and long sleeves tapered to a point at the wrists. The controlled belle-skirt was highlighted with a watteau train which fell from a streamered bow at the back of the hi-rise waistline. She wore an ivory Brussels lace veil and carried a crescent arrangement of Royal bouquet orchids and sweetheart roses.

Mrs. George Alen Thornton III of Franklin, the bride's sister-in-law, was matron of honor. Brides maids were Mrs. Roy Robertson Richardson of Suffolk, the bridegroom's sister, Mrs. John Clifton Harrell, Miss Margaret Virginia Edwards and Miss Mary Sue Parker all of Suffolk and Miss Katherine Bedloe Salle.

The attendants were gowned alike in floor length belle skirted white organdy dresses made over aqua taffeta. The bodices of Swiss embroidered organdy were made with a bateau neckline and elbow length sleeves and the slim waists were encircled with aqua grosgrain sash with long streamers in the back. The wore aqua grograin bows in their hair and carried crescent bouquets of white roses.

The bridegroom's father was best man. Groomsmen were Ronald Lee Martin and Hubert Irvin Martin of Suffolk, the bridegroom's brothers, George Alden Thornton III of Franklin, and John Timothy Thornton of Suffolk, brothers of the bride, and Roy Robertson Richardson of Suffolk, the bridegroom's brother-in-law.

The mother of the bride chose an afternoon dress of aqua crepe fashioned with a softly bloused bodice, scooped neckline and short sleeves. The "A" skirt achieved its fullness with unpressed gores and matching satin inset belt encircled the waist. She wore an aqua satin hat, matching accessories and a corsage of white cymbidium orchids.

The bridegroom's mother wore an afternoon dress of blue lace, matching accessories and a corsage of white orchids.

Mrs. William Richard Savage, Jr., and Mrs. David Vernon Whitley were mistresses of ceremonies

Following the wedding a reception was held at the Hotel Suffolk. Later the couple left for a wedding trip and on their return they will live in Rocky mount, N. C.

Courtland Club Holds Meeting

COURTLAND — The Executive Board of the Courtland Junior Woman's Club met Monday night at the Walter Cecil Rawls Library with the club president, Miss Sandra Vaughan, presiding.

The board appointed Mrs. Charles Settle to the office of recording secretary replacing the former secretary, Miss Patricia Underwood, who recently accepted a position at Ft. Eustis.

A brief discussion of the Southside district workshop held recently in Waverly was the highlight of the meeting.

Club members who attended the workshop were Miss Sandra Vaughan, Mrs. William Reeve, Mrs. Sidney Williams and Mrs. Shirley Wade.

A call meeting of the club will be held on August 3 at the library at 7:30 p.m. and all members are urged to attend.

night, July 1, at a cook-out given by Mr. and Mrs. Delaney Hingerty and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Harsley.

The cook-out was held on the lawn at Providence Church.

Those attending were the wedding party and relatives.

Entertained at Shower

Miss Barden was honored at a miscellaneous shower Wednesday night given by Mrs. R. C. Grady, Mrs. G. K. Green and Mrs. Edward Morz of Norfolk, and Mrs. Lillian Turner of Suffolk.

The shower was held at the home of Mrs. R. C. Grady on Highland Avenue.

The home was decorated with mixed summer flowers. The dining table was laid with a linen tablecloth centered with an arrangement of yellow gladioli surrounded by ivy.

Approximately thirty guests were present.

Buffet Dinner

A buffet dinner was held recently at the home of Mrs. Virginia Smith of 112 Red Oak Trail, Chesapeake, in honor of Miss Barden and Mr. Hingerty.

The dining table was centered with a large candelabra accented with two dozen carnations.

Mrs. C. S. Byrd received the guests. Approximately twenty-five guests were present, all were employes of Virginia Electric and Power Company.

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Mrs. Joe Bailey and Mrs. Ernest Turner and Connie Bailey visited Mr. and Mrs. Jack Frost of Petersburg. Connie remained to stay longer with Mrs. Frost and Mrs. Bailey and Mrs. Turner visited Walter Britt at McGuire Hospital in Richmond on Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Dempsie Britt also visited Mr. Britt on Thursday.

Ocean View visitors Wednesday were Mr. and Mrs. Branch Bailey, Joan Bailey, Ashby Bailey, Janie Forrest, Pat Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Gay and Larry Gay.

Mrs. Jon Nelson Bolling, the former Miss Judith Barlow

Bolling-Barlow Vows Said In Smithfield Baptist Church

SMITHFIELD — The marriage of Miss Judith Kea Barlow, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Randolph Earl Barlow, of Smithfield, to Jon Nelson Bolling of Richmond, son of Dr. and Mrs. Andrew Jackson Bolling Jr., of Fredericksburg, was solemnized July 18 in the Smithfield Baptist Church, Smithfield, at 4 o'clock.

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Warren Francis Taylor. Mrs. J. Bronson Gale, organist, accompanied Warren Francis Taylor, Jr., who sang "O Perfect Love".

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a traditional wedding gown of pure silk organza appliqued in re-embroidered Alencon lace. The slender bodice, buttoned up the back with self-covered buttons, was overlaid in lace and designed with brief sleeves and a scalloped portrait neckline. Floral garlands of lace highlighted the controlled belle skirt and chapel length train. Her veil of English illusion was arranged from an organza crown covered in Alencon lace. She carried a semi-cascade of stephanotis, bride's roses, and orchids.

Miss Margaret Jane McHugh of Hampton, cousin of the bride, was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Miss Vivian Carol Dugger of Auburn, Alabama, cousin of the bride; Miss Carolyn Sue Anthony of Richmond; Mrs. John Andrew Clayton, Jr. of Stella, N.C.; and Mrs. Richard Ludlow Sweetman of Newport News. The attendants were gowned alike in floor length pink organza dresses made with slender bodices, brief sleeves, and oval necklines. The A line skirts featured watteau panels of embroidered organza topped with pink satin bows. They wore matching headpieces and carried bouquets of Marguerite daisies and roses.

Mr. Bolling had his father as best man. Groomsmen were Andrew Jackson Bolling III, brother of the groom Stanley G;waltney Barlow and Randoloh Earle Barlow Jr., twin brothers of the bride; and Charles Griffin McDaniel of Fredericlsburg.

Mrs. Walter H. Shearin and Mrs. J. M. Keys were mistresses of ceremonies.

The mother of the bride chose an afternoon dress of champagne chiffon made along sheath lines with an Alencon lace bodice and flowing back panels. She wore a pillbox of silk petals, matching accessories and an orchid corsage.

The bridegroom's mother wore a blue linen sheath, matching accessories, and a white orchid corsage.

A reception was held in the Town Hall.

After a southern trip. Mr. and Mrs. Bolling will make their home in Richmond.

BRANCHVILLE PERSONALS

Mrs. Anderson Lee and Mrs. Tommy Kee and sons, Jerry and Tommy Jr., were visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Al Joyner in Roanoke Rapids, N.C. on Wednesday night.

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ELECTION NEWS!

Wilkins Fighting Machine

SUFFOLK - Independent candidate Carlton J. Wilkins has promised to rid Nansemond County of the Moses Riddick "machine" if elected sheriff in the Nov. 3 general election.

In a statement released to the press, Wilkins said Saturday that he came out for sheriff against Democratic candidate James C. (Jimmy) Knight, Jr. "to beat the Riddick machine and for better protection for the citizens of Nansemond County."

Wilkins obviously was referring to Moses A. Riddick, Jr., executive secretary of the Independent Voters League of Suffolk and Nansemond County, a Negro political action group.

Wilkins, a 51-year-old truck stop operator, said the IVL backed Knight for sheriff in the Democratic primary of 1959 after supporting the incumbent, J. Frank Culpepper, in previous elections.

"The IVL switched and backed Jimmy Knight against the wishes of many in the IVL," said Wilkins, "and as a result voted with a majority of the whites which gave the nomination to Jimmy Knight. It doesn't seem to be the wish of the whites or of the better class colored to vote with the Riddick machine."

He pointed out that Riddick himself is running against N. T. Poarch for Board of Supervisors in Cypress district.

Beat One Machine

"I want to assure you," Wilkins declared, "that a vote for Jimmy Knight for sheriff is a vote for the Riddick machine. The only way to beat this machine is to vote for Carlton J. Wilkins.

"In the primary election, 1,700 qualified white voters did not go to the polls to vote. There are about 4,300 qualified white voters and about 3,000 qualified colored voters. Due to the laxity of the qualified voters, the Riddick machine is about to take over the running of Nansemond County.

"This Riddick machine can be whipped very easily if the respectable white voters and the respectable colored voters will line up against those the Riddick machine is backing.

"I don't know why most everyone in Nansemond County is afraid to say anything about the Riddick machine. I'm not afraid to fight anything that should be wiped out for the benefit of the people of Nansemond County.

"I am asking you to make a choice, and the only way you can is to vote. If you choose me, I promise that the Riddick machine will be dead for at least four years.

"There is a pamphlet being circulated about me, but don't be mislead by these as there are two sides to every question. Those that are putting out the pamphlets should clean their skirts before casting the first stone.

"This is the last time for the next four years that you will have an opportunity to clean up this corruption, and if you don't do it now, don't complain after it is over."

Signed. Carlton J. Wilkins

Mr. Bourton:

this Election was in 1959. our vote defeated the above candidate - Please return this copy -

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Budget Of The Independent Voters League Inc.
1958-59, Beginning July 1, ~~1959~~, and Ending
June 31, ~~1959~~. 1960
1961

Special Assements of each Cicic League:

City Of Suffolk, Virginia	300.00
Pauls Branch	250.00
Pleasant Hill	100.00
Saratoga	100.00
Boston and White City	50.00
Elephant Fork	75.00
Buckhorn	50.00
Holland and Holy Neck	150.00
Lumis	50.00
Whaleyville	75.00
Hosier Lake	25.00 $50.00
Balm Of Gilead	35.00
Drivers	75.00
Pughsville	75.00
Huntersville	75.00
Hobson	65.00
Chuckatuck	100.00
Belleville	40.00
Total	$1690.00

Other Assements & Estimates:

Memberships-(Contributionsfrom Church	600.00
Lodges, etc.	690.00
Four General Mass Meetings	250.00
Annual and Semi-Annual Conferences	350.00
Annual Dinner Meeting	200.00
Campaign Meetings Special	150.00
Total	$2240.00

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	2240.00
Grand Total	$3930.00

YEARLY EXPENSES OF THE INDEPENDENT VOTERS LEAGUE

Rent	$216.00
Phone Bill	120.00
Postal Stamps	25.00
Office Furniture	100.00
Office Supplies (paper, ink, printing	200.00
Painting & Repairs	35.00
Poll Watching (Campaigning)	200.00
Traveling	150.00
Full-time Director	1800.00
Total	$2846.00

Estimated Income	$3930.00
" Expenses	2846.00
Balance	$1084.00

Riddick's Vote Ties Up Nansemond Co. Board

(STORY IN COLUMN 1)

One In, One Out Add Up To Political 'War'

John R. Riddick (seated) former Nansemond County deputy sheriff, who was fired from his post in what three Riddick brothers and the Independent Voters League contend was a political revenge move, reads Guide news story about their "war" on Sheriff James C. Knight and other Democratic leaders in Nansemond.

Standing is Moses A. Riddick Jr., who attended his first meeting as a Nansemond County Board of Supervisors member on Thursday. The Riddicks contend the firing of John Riddick and his ouster from Nansemond Democratic Executive Committee came because John supported his brother, Moses, in the latter's successful bid for a county supervisor's post.

Negro Member Up In Arms

Supervisors Deadlocked On Selecting Chairman

SUFFOLK — County Commissioner Moses A. Riddick Jr.'s nomination of A. L. Glascock for chairman of the five-man Nansemond Board of Supervisors threw county officials into a tizzy Thursday afternoon.

Mr. Riddick voted for his nominee and Mr. Glascock voted for himself. Supervisors Joseph Savage and Lester Mansfield then voted for Jarvis Howell, who had seconed the nomination of Mr. Glascock, but did not vote during the meeting at which the chairman and other officers were to be elected.

THE EFFECT of the two nominees' failure to get a majority resulted in a situation in which Nansemond County payrolls and bills cannot be met until Judge James Godwin of Circuit Court names an outside third party to cast the tie-breaking vote. The Judge is related to Lieut. Gov. Mills Godwin.

Those who cannot be paid until the chairmanship is determined, include Sheriff James C. Knight, Mr. Riddick's former political ally. Supervisor Riddick went to the meeting with the intention of taking a verbal poke at the sheriff, who recently fired his brother, John R. Riddick, for alleged neglect of duty.

The supervisor and two other Riddick brothers, John R., the former deputy sheriff, and still Democratic chairman of Paul's Branch precinct, who was fired by Sheriff Knight last week, and Haywood, who is active in school and political affairs, got in their verbal licks at Mr. Knight on Sunday along with the new county supervisor.

APPEARING with some 200 others here at a meeting of the Independent Voters League, of which he is executive secretary, the supervisor said that the sheriff won't be sheriff when his term ends in 1967. The coun-

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Riddick to Tell How Nansemond Does It

Moses A. Riddick, Jr., successful candidate for the Nansemond County Board of Supervisors in Tuesday's election, leaves Sunday for New York City for a week-long round of political talks.

Riddick said today that he would be gone all week, speaking at various political functions and explaining how the fight for civil rights is being won in Nansemond County "without violence, and without dog-biting and fire hoses."

Riddick said he would tell his audiences to "Work for your rights. Don't just talk loud. Work and walk.

"It's all right to speak out, surely, but don't let it end there."

Riddick said he was not against demonstrating in the civil rights struggle, "but I will tell them in New York that in Nansemond County we can accomplish what needs to be accomplished across the conference table."

Progress for the Negroes, he said, "will be done at an accelerated gradual pace. It won't be completed by 11:30 tomorrow morning."

Riddick says he plans to rest for the next few days before leaving for New York. After his return, he'll "get down to the serious business of being a working and studious supervisor."

"FREEDOM IS NOT FREE"

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Gentlemen:

I hereby make application for membership in the Independent Voters League of Virginia. I pledge to donate $..... a year or $..... a month to support the activities of the League, and to become a qualified voter in time to vote in the next election.

Signed.....

Address.....

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Signed.....Chairman League

The Third Congressional District
of South Carolina
RFD #1, Box 140
North Augusta, South Carolina
Rev. S. L. McCain, Chairman

MAY 8 1964

May 7, 1964

Mr. Wiley A. Branton, Project Director
Room 206/ 5 Forsyth Street, N.W./
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton:

In acknowledgement of your letter of May 4, I wish to assure you that I shall only release publicly those informations that are necessary to carry out our program, all informations that are confidential will be deft with in the proper manner. In compliance with your office and Mr. Blackwell visit I have appointed an assistant to contact each County in our District to send representatives to a meeting which will be held Sunday May 10, 1964 at the Masonic Hall in McCormick, S.C. the purpose of this meeting is to confirm our district organization. All matters discuss in this meeting will be released to your office.

Sincerely yours
S. L. McCain

VEP 4 20

Received this 5 day of May, 1964
Signed: S. L. McCain

Voter Education Project

A PROGRAM OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

ROOM 206 / 5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. / ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

May 4, 1964

The Rev. S. L. McCain
RFD #1, Box 140
North Augusta, South Carolina

Dear Rev. McCain:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of April 29 together with a blank check, so that we can set up your voucher check system. We have ordered your checks today, and will ship them to you next week, and then bill you for the actual cost of printing.

We never received your letter of April 17 which you referred to.

I am pleased to inform you that the Voter Education Project has approved a grant in the amount of $3,000 in support of a three-month voter registration program in the Third Congressional District of South Carolina. This program will begin on May 1, 1964, and terminate on July 31, 1964, unless it is subsequently continued by the Voter Education Project.

We prefer that you not release any publicity concerning the amount of the grant which we are making to you other than to members of your executive committee, or persons active with your registration program, and all inquiries concerning the amount of the grant from reporters or others should be referred to our office. It probably would be best if there was no news release to the effect that you have received a grant from VEP, but you definitely should not deny receiving support from us if anyone should ask. If you feel that you want to release publicity concerning your congressional district program, and wish to mention VEP, you should simply state that the "voter registration program is being supported by the Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council," and let it go at that.

It is our understanding that your group will carry on an active voter registration program in every county in the Third Congressional District.

This grant will be paid to you in installments of $1,000 each on or about June 1 and July 1, and the initial installment of $1,000 as soon as the checks have been printed. All installments will be conditioned upon prompt progress and financial reporting. Our Research Assistant, Mrs. Barbara Whitaker, will write you concerning progress reporting re- [redacted] be done on a [redacted] ions which [redacted]

[redacted] let us know the name and addr[redacted] of your organization, and tell us to wh[redacted] should be sent, and where you want us to mail your printed voucher checks when we get them.

The Voter Education Project is a non-partisan program in every sense of the word, and no part of the funds from VEP may be used tosupport partisan politics in any manner whatsover, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf nor against any political candidate. This restriction applies whether the political candidate be white or Negro.

You will be required to furnish the VEP office with complete and full information regarding your voter registration program, and it is understood that VEP may cancel this program at any time, and require that you pay over to VEP any unexpended funds which you may have on hand.

We are enclosing a copy of this letter and request that you indicate your understanding of the conditions and restrictions of this grant by signing this copy and returning it to us at once.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

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May 7, 1964

The Rev. S. L. McCain
RFD #1, Box 140
North Augusta, South Carolina

Dear Rev. McCain:

I enclose herein, our VEP check in the amount of $1,000 representing payment of the first of three installments toward a total grant of $3,000 in suppost of a three-month voter registration program in the Third Congressional District of South Carolina for the period May 1 through Jly 31, 1964. Similar installments will be paid to you on or about June 1 and July 1, and will be [redacted] upon satisfactory performance and reporting.

We expect you to conduct a meaningful program in every county in the Third District, and you should furnish us with the names and addresses of your respective county leaders.

The proceeds of this check should be put in your special bank account, and you should not mix any of these funds in this account, other than money coming from VEP. We mailed to you today under separate cover, 500 triplicate voucher checks and you should always use these checks in numerical order. We will bill you for the actual cost of the checks as soon as we get the statement.

We are enclosing another set of instructions which you should keep at all times, and follow to the letter with reference to the handling of finances.

We weldome you and your co-workers to the VEP program, and if there is anything we can do at any time to assist you,

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or if there is anything you do not understand, please get in touch with us.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

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MAY 1 1964

Route 1, Box 140
North Augusta, South Carolina
April 29, 1964

Mr. Wiley A. Branton
5 Forsyth Street N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of April 15, 1964, I sent you the requested information on April 17, 1964.

I was informed April 25, 1964 that it had not reached your office. I am sending it again today.

Our field worker is contacting the counties that have not met with us. We hope to have all the counties working together in a short time.

You will find enclosed a blank check from The Bank of Trenton and the bank's code. (#29847)

Yours truly,

J. R. McCain

J. R. McCain

50 Check ordered on 5/1/64

4-22-64

April 15, 1964

Mr. J. R. McCain
c/o Colored High School
Edgefield, South Carolina

Dear Mr. McCain:

We wrote the attached letter to The Rev. S. L. McCain two weeks ago and feel now that it should have gone to you. Since so much time has elapsed, we are requesting that you get a blank check to us as quickly as possible. This check should show the name of the bank which you will use for the Third Congressional District Voter Education Project.

It will be necessary for us to have this information before we can process the grant written about in the attached letter.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

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April 2, 1964

The Rev. S. L. McCain RFD #1, Box 140
North Augusta, South Carolina

Dear Mr. McCain:

Upon recommendation of our Field Director, Mr. Randolph Blackwell, we have decided to make a grant to the Third Congressional District Voter Education Project in support of a voter registration program in your area. It will probably take us several days longer to reach a decision as to the exact amount of the grant which we will make and the duration of the program.

In any event, we will require the use of printed voucher checks in triplicate which we can order for you through our printer here in Atlanta and bill you for the actual cost. In order to expedite your program we will need from you immediately a blank check indicating the name of your bank and electronic code numbers which your bank may use. Let me point out that you will have to open a special account separate from any other account your organization may now maintain and this special account is to be used only for the disbursement of money coming to you from the Voter Education Project. This special account should bear the name Third Congressional District Voter Education Project.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:jl

May 8, 1964

The Rev. S. L. McCain
RFD #1, Box 140
North Augusta, South Carolina RE: VEP 4-20

Dear Rev. McCain:

We are sending, under separate cover, a supply of research reporting forms. We request that you submit arreport on each county in the Congressional District noolater than the 10th of each month, commencing on June 10. We believe the items on the forms to be self-explanatory, but feel free to question or make comments.

At the conclusion of your project, we will expect a comprehensive narrative report. The outline for this report is enclosed.

Let us know if we can be of assistance to you.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Barbara I. Whitaker
Research Assistant

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Route 1, Box 140
North Augusta, S.C.
May 18, 1964

Voter Edu. Project
S. Regional Council Inc.
Room 201, 57 Forsyth St. N.W.
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Gentlemen;

I ind enclosed reports of the Counties that have made their reports.

We have contacted the other Counties and they are in process of making their reports soon.

We had a very successful meeing Sunday, hope to be successfun in getting all in the machine of working as a unit.

Yours truly,
J. R. McCain Sec.
Rev. S. J. McCain
Exec. Chr.

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Dear Congressional District Chairman:

We are in the process of considering registration work in the Counties of your Congressional District. In addition to the information which we have before us, will you please supply answers to the following questions?

Your speedy action in this regard will be very highly appreciated.

Yours truly,

Randolph T. Blackwell

Congressional District _ 3

County _ Edgefield, S.C.

State briefly the history of registration among Negro people in your county from August, 1963 to February, 1964.

During that period we has a considerable amount of people to register. We has had meeting pertaining to registering We would instruct people how to go about getting registered. In civic gathering we have made appeals to people to register. and in churches we have also made appeals.

List the names and addresses of county officers.

Mr. Thomas Dunton — Pres. — P.O. Box 151 Edgefield S.C
Mr. Edward ~~Lloyd~~ Lloyd. — Sec. % Anderson Funeral Home Edgefield S.C.
Mr. Virgal Scott — Trea — P.O. Box 132 Edgefield S.C

List the names and addresses of precinct and ward leaders.

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1. What is the attitude of the registrar's office toward Negro registration? If that attitude is hostile, specify what actions are taken by registrar personnel manifesting this hostility?

Good

2. Detail any harassment or intimidation of registrants or registration workers by public officials.

None

3. If there have been overt indications of resistance on the part of the white community in general to Negro registration specify what specific form this resistance has taken.

None

4. What reasons are given by people who refuse to participate as prospective registrants in the registration program?

Don't understand yet
and haven't had the proper understanding
We are working hard to make them understand

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Yours truly,

Randolph T. Blackwell

Congressional District _ 3RD CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

County _ NEWBERRY COUNTY

State briefly the history of registration among Negro people in your county from August, 1963 to February, 1964.

During this period Registration has been somewhat slow and minimum. However appeals were made from Churches, Schools, Civic meetings for an extensive voter registration among Negroes. We also co-operated through N.A.A.C.P. Seminars, and SCLC schools preparing persons to Register. The Inter-denominational ministerial Alliance furnished transportation for those who requested it to go to the registration office to register.

List the names and addresses of county officers.

Rev. S. T. Spencer, County Chairman
631 Caldwell St.
Newberry, S.C. 29108

Rev. David Carter, vice chairman
1500 Harris Street
Newberry, S.C. 29108

Mrs. Geneil Cuff, Secy
2405 Johnson Street
Newberry, S.C. 29108

Rev. J.C. Copeland Treasurer
79 Boundary Street
Newberry, S.C. 29108

List the names and addresses of precinct and ward leaders.

These names will be mailed later on

1. What is the attitude of the registrar's office toward Negro registration? If that attitude is hostile, specify what actions are taken by registrar personnel manifesting this hostility?

The attitude here in Newberry County is very nice. We have had no complaints from anyone who made application to register.

2. Detail any harassment or intimidation of registrants or registration workers by public officials.

There have been no reported harassment or intimidations.

3. If there have been overt indications of resistance on the part of the white community in general to Negro registration specify what specific form this resistance has taken.

There have been no overt indications of resistance on the part of the white Community.

4. What reasons are given by people who refuse to participate as prospective registrants in the registration program?

(A) Ignorance to the procedure of registering

(B) Other reasons follow a generalized form of, laziness, unwillingness, and just a plain do care attitude. However, we are giving this program a "stick-to-ituveness" that in the final analysis we shall overcome.

Names and Addresses representing percinct in McCormick County

Names	Addresses
1. Mr. Johnny Freeman	Rte 3 Box 75 McCormick, S.C.
2. Mr. Jasper Talberts, Jr.	Rte 3 Box 41 McCormick, S.C.
3. Mr. Stanley Gilchrist	Rte Box Parksvice, S.C.
4. Mr. Sam Morgan	Post Office Clarkhill, S.C.
5. Mr. James W. Price	Rte 3 Box 9-A McCormick, S.C.
6. Mr. Harvey L. Murray	P.O. Box 113 McCormick, S.C.
7. Mr. A. W. Walker	Post Office Box 125 McCormick, S.C.

8. Mr. Thomas Harris — Rte 1 Box 88
McCormick, S.C.

9. Mr. Alex Statum — Rte 1 Box 84
McCormick, S.C.

10. Mrs. C. J. Statum — Rte 1 Box 84
McCormick, S.C.

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Your speedy action in this regard will be very highly appreciated.

Yours truly,

Randolph T. Blackwell

Congressional District 3

County _ McCormick

State briefly the history of registration among Negro people in your county from August, 1963 to February, 1964.

Annoucements have been made in churches and other organizations in the County.
Appeals have been made in the homes.

List the names and addresses of county officers.

Names	Addresses
Mr. Harvey L. Murray, Pres.	Post Office Box 113 McCormick, S. C.
Mr. Talmage Freeman, Vice Pres.	Post Office McCormick, S. C.
Miss Dorotha Tompkins, Sec.	Rte 1 Box 124 Plum Branch, S. C.
Mrs. Claudia Statum, Asst. Sec.	Rte 1 Box 84 McCormick, S. C.
Mr. Thomas Harris, Treasurer	Rte 1 Box 88 McCormick, S.C.

List the names and addresses of precinct and ward leaders.

over

1. What is the attitude of the registrar's office toward Negro registration? If that attitude is hostile, specify what actions are taken by registrar personnel manifesting this hostility?

Favorable

2. Detail any harassment or intimidation of registrants or registration workers by public officials.

None

3. If there have been overt indications of resistance on the part of the white community in general to Negro registration specify what specific form this resistance has taken.

None

4. What reasons are given by people who refuse to participate as prospective registrants in the registration program?

They fear that their jobs will be taken
Fears of homes being destroyed

(1)

Dear Congressional District Chaieman:

We are in the process of considering registration work in the Counties of your Congressional District. In addition to the information which we have before us, will you please supply answers to the following questions?

Your speedy action in this regard will be very highly appreciated.

Your truly,

Randolph T. Blackwell

Congressional District-

County- Oconee

State briefly the history of registration among Negro people in your vounty from August, 1963 to February, 1964.

The registration has been very good on one day we registered 150

We have a house to house campeign now .

List the names and addresses of county officers.

Dr.H.B. Hill County Chr.
401 N.First Street Seneca, S. C.

Rev. J.D.Hicks Secy.
307 S.3rd Street
Seneca, S. C.

Dr.H.J.Hare Treas. 216 Walniut St North SenecamS.C.

List the names and addresses of precinct and ward leaders.

Mr.Tuper Childers Westminster. S.C.

E.W.Whittemburg Walhalla S.C.

Mr.Grady Thompson Seneca, S.C.

Mr.Eddie Pettigrew Clemson,S.C.

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1. What is the attitude of the registrar's office toward Negro registration? If that attitude is hostile, specify what actions are taken by registrar personnel manifesting this hostility?

Very Good.

2. Detail any harassment or intimidation of registrants or registration workers by public officials.

No Harrassment.

3. If there have been overt indications of resistance on the part of the white community in general to Negro registration specify what specific form this resistance has taken.

No Resistance of any kind as Yet.

4. What reasons are given by people who refuse to participate as prospective registrants in the registration program?

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Yours truly,

Randolph T. Blackwell

Congressional District-

County- **Pickens**

State briefly the history of registration among Negro people in your county from August, 1963 to February, 1964.

The county is unorganized. Need to be worked.

List the names and adresses of county officers.

No Orginization.

List the names and addresses of precinct and ward leaders.

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1. What is the attitude of the registrar's office toward Negro registration? If that attitude is hostile, specify what actions are taken by registrar personnel manifesting this hostility?

Good

2. Detail any harassment or intimidation of registrants or registration workers by public officials.

No Harrassment

3. If there have been overt indications of resistance on the part of the white community in general to Negro registration specify what specific form this resistance has taken.

No Resistance

4. What reasons are given by people who refuse to participate as prospective registrants in the registration program?

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Yours truly,

Randolph T. Blackwell

Congressional District- 3

County- Saluda, S.C

State briefly the history of registration among Negro people in your county from August, 1963 to February, 1964.

Announcements have been made in Churches and other organization in the County. Appeals have been made in homes.

List the names and addresses of county officers.

Mr. Charlie A. Daniel — Chairman 110 N. Bankright Ferry Rd Saluda, S.C.
Mrs Dorthy Logan — Sec 103 N. Radolph St Saluda S.C
Mr. Johnnie W. Doinger — Treasr. — 325 N Bankright Ferry Rd. Saluda S.C

List the names and addresses of precinct and ward leaders.

Mr. William Brown Rte 1, Batesburg S.C
Mrs. Mattie Harp Rte 1, Saluda S.C
Mr. Walter Butler Rte 5 Saluda S.C
Mrs. Mary L Henley Rte 2, Saluda S.C.
Mrs. Lula Daniel Rte 3, Saluda S.C
Mrs. Bessie Hartt Rte 1, Batesburg, S.C.
Mr David Barnes Rte 4, Saluda S.C.
Mr. Gus Glover Rte 3, Saluda S.C.
Mr. Allen West P.O. 62 Ridgespring, S.C.
Mrs Edith Doinger Rte 3, Saluda S.C
Mr Willie C. Bryant Rte 3, Saluda S.C
Mr Johnnie Daniel Rte 2 Johnston S.C.
Mr. Johnnie Barnes Rte 4, Saluda S.C
Mr. Sam Etheridge Rte 2, Saluda, S.C.
Mr Tom Stewart Rte, Chappell, S.C.

1. What is the attitude of the registrar's office toward Negro registration? If that attitude is hostile, specify what actions are taken by registrar personnel manifesting this hostility?

Attitude toward Negroes is very Good

2. Detail any harassment or intimidation of registrants or registration workers by public officials.

None

3. If there have been overt indications of resistance on the part of the white community in general to Negro registration specify what specific form this resistance has taken.

None

4. What reasons are given by people who refuse to participate as prospective registrants in the registration program?

Some dont think voting is any good.
Some say they just haven't got around to doing it.
Some is afraid that they wont pass the test.

5-30-64

May 21, 1964

The Rev. S. L. McCain
R.F.D. #1
Box 140
North Augusta, South Carolina

Dear Mr. McCain:

We have received the invoice from the printer for the imprinting of your voucher checks and the cost is as follows:

500 voucher checks	$22.55
Tax	.68
Total	$23.23

Will you kindly reimburse VEP for this amount.
Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

Jean Levine
Fiscal Assistant

Rec'd
5/29/64

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5 Forsyth St.

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Rev. S. L. McCain
RFD #1
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Route 1, Box 140
North Augusta, S.C.
May 25, 1964

MAY 26 1964

Mr. Wiley A. Branton
5 Forsyth St. N.W.
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Sir:

We have organized all the precincts in the County and have registered 583 persons.

We are working to get every qualified person in the County registered.

Yours truly,

Rev. S. L. McCain Rev.
Rev. S. L. McCain.

MAY 26 1964

Route 1, Box 140
North Augusta, S.C.
May 25, 1964

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5 Forsyth St. N.W.
Atlanta, Ga.

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We are working to get every qualified person in the County registered.

Yours truly,

Rev. S. L. McCain Rev.
Rev. S. L. McCain.

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FINANCIAL

May 26, 1964

The Rev. S. L. McCain
Third Congressional District
Voter Education Project
RFD #1, Box 140
North Augusta, South Carolina

RE: VEP 4-20

Dear Rev. McCain:

Thank you for your check in the amount of $23.23, reimbursing VEP for the cost of the printing of your voucher checks.

I would like to call to your attention the fact that you should spell out the actual amount of the check on the line following the word, "Pay." (Pay: Twenty Three and 23/100---). The name of the payee should be inserted in the brackets where it reads, "To the order of."

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

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May 27, 1964

The Rev. J. R. McCain
Route 1, Box 140
North Augusta, South Carolina

Dear Mr. McCainh

Thank you for the financial reppprting which we recently received in this office.

I find, however, that it is necessary to return these two check carbons to you (#0001, #0002) and ask that you identify on the bottom half of the voucher what these checks were written for.

We must have account explanations for all monies spent out of VEP grants and, therefore, ask that you supply this information on all future checks written from VEP funds. For instance, these payments may be made for salary, travel, office supplies, etc., but whatever the explanation we must have it on the bottom half of the check. If you will refer to the instructions for financial reporting which Mr. Branton sent you at the time of your grant you will see what I am referring to.

Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

Jean Levine
Fiscal Assistant

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June 3, 1964

Rev. S. L. McCain
Third Congressional District
Voter Education Project
RFD #1, Box 140
North Augusta, South Carolina

RE: VEP 4-20

Dear Rev. McCain:

I enclose herein our check in the amount of $1,000 representing payment of the second installment of the $3,000 grant which was made to the Third Congressional District Voter Education Project on May 4, 1964.

We hope that you will increase your efforts throughout your district now that you seem to be fully organized.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:bs

Encl: $1,000 check

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7/24/64

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: Civil League project

Period covered by this report: From January to June

Person reporting Mr. H. L. Murray

P.O. Box 113 McCormick, McCormick, S.C.
Street Address City County State

Date submitted: June 9, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: McCormick County

No 1 McCormick Courthouse
Ward, Beat, etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 50

Number instructed at home 14

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places 75 a. Specify places

churches & masonic Hall

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 18

Number successfully registered by this project this week 18

Number denied registration in this project this week 3

a. Reason for denial Unable to read and write successfully

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate Several

a. Reason for refusing to participate Afraid of jobs and afraid of having to move.

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 162

Number of workers in the campaign 10

Remarks We're trying very hard to get two hundred (200) more registered by October.

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Route 1, Box 140
North Augusta, S.C.
June 13, 1964

Voter Education Project
57 Forsyth Street N.W.
Room 206
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Gentlemen:

We have had very good success in our meetings of the Counties and made many Contacts with different Canidates.

We organized the precincts of the Counties and had workers in each precinct getting people registered and teaching them how to vote.

We had workers to take people to their precincts to vote on the 9th of June.

The negroes were heavily felt in the election. Six out of seven of the Canidates endorsed by negroes in Edgefield, five out of seven in Saluda, Six out eight in Newberry and similar success in McCormick, Greenwood and the others.

Yours truly,
Rev. S.L. McCain, Chair
J.R. McCain.

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June 16, 1964

The Rev. S. L. McCain
RFD #1, Box 140
North Augusta, South Carolina RE: VEP 4-20

Dear Rev. McCain:

The reports of the preceding month's activities are due by the 10th of the following month, and we have not received any reports from any counties in your district.

Would you look into the matter and have your reports brought up-to-date?

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Barbara I. Whitaker
Research Assistant

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Route # 1, Box 140
North Augusta, South Carolina
June 17, 1964

Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Room 206
Atlanta, 3, Georgia

Dear Gentlemen:

The VEP of the 3rd Congressional District met in McCormick County, South Carolina, on Sunday, June 14, 1964. I am very happy to report that the meeting was very encouraging, and we had good attendance.

The County of Anderson reported that they have 2800 registered voters on the books, but they are having to re-zone, therefore everyone to my knowledge will have to re-register.

At the time we were to send information concerning the register voters of the 3rd Congressional District ,the books were closed. They will open on the first of July, and each county is to send in a written report.

Edgefield County hold their meeting each Monday night after the 2nd Sunday of each month. The meeting Monday night, June 15, 1964 was well attended. There were quite a few new faces showing a great interest in the work.

I can assure you that we are working very hard to get every qualified Negro in the 3rd Congressional District registered, and those that are not qualified,we are doing our best to get them qualified.

Very truly yours,

Rev. S. L. McCain

Rev. S.L. McCain,Chairman of 3rd Congressional District

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Route 1, Box 140
North Augusta, S.C.
June 24, 1964

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Voter Education Project
Room
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Mr. Blackwell:

In Edgefield County there was a campaign meeting in the Court-house. We, negroes went in and sat down in a large number. The segregationist told the Sheriff to get those nigers out. The Sheriff said they are citizens and have the right to be here. We stayed and nothing else was said to.

The next meeting was called in the White School Gem. We asked the superintendant of Education to let us meet in our Gem, he consented and we did. We used the loud speaker and made our speeches. Canidates running for election 6 went negroes asking them to vote for them and asked the officers to endorse them in our meeting. We made requests, they were agreed to.

We will run negroes in the next primary.

We are moving now to put a negro on the Board of Education and on the police force.

Our Monthly Congressional District Meeting rotates. We will meet in Anderson the Second Sunday in July at 4:00 oclock in the after-noon.

Any suggestions from you will be appreciated.

Yours truly,
S. L. McCain, Pres.
J. R. McCain

June 30, 1964

Rev. S. L. McCain
Route # 1, Box 140
North Augusta, South Carolina

RE: VEP 4-20

Dear Rev. McCain:

Thank you for your letter of June 24 and we are sorry that Mr. Blackwell did not get to see you. There is a possibility that I will be able to visit South Carolina myself, but I will try to give you some advanced notice.

Please explain to us the method you are using in determining how much money is to be spent in each county. I note that most of your checks are written for travel and it would be helpful to us to know the purpose of this travel. In other words, what are the people doing who are being paid travel expenses? In the future, it probably would be helpful if you would state the county that a person was doing work in on the face of the check.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

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Route # 1, Box 140
North Augusta, South Carolina
June 24, 1964

Voter Education Project
Room 206
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, 3, Georgia

Dear Gentlemen:

I was informed that the Field Representative was by to see me on today (Tuesday) . I was very sorry that I was not at home.

I checked today to see if the report for this month had been mailed, and to my regret , it had not. Therefore it will be in the mail as of today. The check stubs were to have been mailed on last week, that is why I did not mention them in my letter to you on last week-end. I am very sorry that the treasurer did not get them in the mail before now.

We haven't released any money to the Counties that have not as yet attended the meetings. Anderson County is to let me know when they are ready to receive assistance from the VEP.

I visited Rockford in the northern part of McCormick County on Sunday (June 21, 1964) . The people there were very co-operative, and was anxious to have some one to come in and give them information concerning registration and voting.

Newberry County did not send a representative to the last meeting, therefore I am planning to pay them a visit soon.

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I can assure you that we are working very hard ,and by the time that the books are open for registration in July I hope to have visited other counties personally to get first-hand information ,that I can forward on to you.

Please bear with us, and rest assure that we are on the job.

Very truly yours,

Rev. S. L. McCain

REV. S L. McCain

(Chairman of 3rd Congressional District)

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JUL 7 1964

Rte, 1 Box 140
N. Augusta, S.C.
July, 5th, 1964

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Mr Wiley A. Braxton proj. Dir.
Room 206/5 Forsyth, St, N.W.
Atlanta, 3, Georgia

Dear Mr Braxton:

your letter of July, 1st. was rec'd. and herewith is some of the information you asked for.

as you know there are nine counties in the 3rd. Cong. District, and we have a number of people working in each District, (on Sunday) and through the week, trying to get more people instered in becoming registered voters, and that take quite some time and travel. Quite a few of the people live in rural areas, and it take quite a bit of travel, and time. to contact these people. Since very few communities have community centers. we have to contact churches, and leaders of other organizations, in order to get to the people. Therefore we have chairman for each District, and each chairman has to have help in order to be able to do a good job. I can assure you that we have not let up on the job since we began.

There are so many peoples that do not have transportation.

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in getting two & from the different precincts to register, and to Vote, therefore, we do quite a bit of travel in that way.

I do hope that I am home the next time one of the members of the Council come up, I feel that I can better explain to him in person.

Anyway the information you asked for will appear on each check. I can assure you that the money is being distributed fairly and to the best advantage.

I shall write later in the week concerning the meeting in Anderson County.

Yours Truly,

Rev. S. L. McCain.

July 7, 1964

Rev. S. L. McCain
RFD #1, Box 140
North Augusta, South Carolina

RE: VEP 4-20

Dear Rev. McCain:

I enclose herein our VEP check in the amount of $1,000 representing payment in full of the third and final installment toward your total grant of $3,000.

We know that you will have several days during which one can register in August and we strongly urge you to take advantage of this extra time and try and get as many people registered as you possibly can. The money which we are sending you at this time together with what you have on hand should see you through the August registration period, but you will need to do alots of work in the various counties in advance of the opening of the books next month.

Although this represents the final payment of your VEP grant, we will consider the possibility of making you a supplemental grant to carry you through the October registration period, but this will be conditioned upon your August registration results.

I expect to spend Wednesday through Friday of this week in South Carolina and hope that my schedule will permit me to at least stop off and see you on my way back Friday night or Saturday morning. Would you please write our office and give us your phone number where you can be reached by phone, and then I can get it when I call back in.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

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Encl: $1,000 check

Rte,1-Box 14o
N, Augusta, S. C.
July, 16th, 1964
Rev, S,L.McCain.Chr,3rd,Cong,Dis

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Voter Education Project.
Room 206/5 Forsyth Street,N,W.
Atlanta,3 Georgia
Mr Wiley, A, Branton, Project, Director.

Dear Sir.

You have a letter in your office from me stating that I was not able to attend the meeting in Anderson,S,C.on last sunday, July the 12th, In my letter I stated that my wife went in my stead,

On the programs that I sent I asked fo the info mation that I had notified them that was needed, they failed to do so. Since the meeting was scheduled for only one hour, and my wife had another engagement , she did not have time to wait ,every one there was in a hurry, therefore they promised to get me a report in the mail the first of the week.so far I haven,t received any reports.

This information that I am sending is from the notes that Mrs McCain took,if the reports come in I shall mail them to you immediately.

I trst that this information will bring you up to date on what we are doing.

Abbeville,County,Oconee County,nor Perkins County were represented in the meeting at Anderson.I am going to have the field representative contact them again to see if we can get them sinstered.

The money raisedin the last meeting amounted to .22.4o (twenty two dollars and forty cents) of which was turned to the treasurer.

In closed you will find a partial report of the financial report hope to be able to send the rest by the last of this week or the first of next week ,

I do hope that I have inclosed all necessary information.

Very truly yours.

Rev. S. L. McCain

Rev, S, L , McCain.

VEP 4-20

3rd Congressional District Report on following

Rev Rice reporting:

Anderson County reported that due to some political changes, the entire registration books had been made void. Therefore everyone in the County will have to register (over) they claim something about redistricting. The District Chairman urged all the people to go back and re-register and take other with them. The chr also stated that since the Civil Rights bill have passed all Recreation facilities had been closed. Some Restaurants have accepted negroes, other had refused. They also stated that the Local paper has refused to write anything about the situation. Therefore the only information they get is from hearsay. Rev. Rice also stated that they have one (1) Colored Bus Driver four (4) part time negroes working in department stores three (3) Clerks working full time. They do feel that they are making some progress.

Newberry County — Rev Whicker reporting Newberry from 1962 to 1964 have increased their number of Registrants from seven (700) to Nineteen hundred (1900) they are calling mass meetings. Doing everything they can to get all the people of that County registered. They are asking for two (2) Colored policemen. most of the men they were instrumental in in the recent election, was elected.

McCormick County — Mr Murray reporting They are continuing to work hard. Even though they were among the last counties to begin registering

They are making great progress. They have been very successful in getting people to register, and they hold a class every monday night to teach people how to register & Vote. Some of their young people had lunch at the Drugstore without incident.

Saluda County — Mr Charlie Daniel reporting number registered from 1963 to 1964 — increased from 600 to 803, their goal right now is One Thousand (1000) by the November election. They were successful in getting the most of the men they were instered in war electric. Their plans are to put negroes in County position. He also stated one Restaurant have accepted negroes, I had reported to accept negroes. That is all the information I have thus far."

Greenwood County — Rev Pope, — reporting They have Twelve hundred (1200) registered. He stated that ~~they~~ to get people instered in registering and Voting they used placards, with different plogans, went from door to door to offer their services, started in the city and worked their way out into the County. The movies in Greenwood immediately accepted negroes and most Restaurants.

Edgefield County - J.R. McCain reporting - Thomas Dunton Ch.

They organized as the progressive Organization,
We were successful in the recent election to set
6 out of the seven (7) men we were instrumental in elected
1963 We had 300 registrants on the books, To date
We have 655, We have in our plan a negro policeman
that is if We can set one to serve, also a negro on the
Board of Education. We are going to double our
determination to get people registered when the books
are open in August, We also have a class in
Edgefield to teach the people how to go about
registering & Voting.

3[illegible] Congressional District, Money pd. out

Edgefield County 170.00

McCormick ,,,,, 148.50

Saluda, ,,,,,,, 161.64

~~Water project 23.23~~

District. 480.1[illegible]

324.42

meeting in Columbia 76.50

23.23

Water project check

$904.29

Dear Sir,

I am doing this work away from home and I kept some of the figures home, but I do want you to have this information. Will send exact figures in my next letter.

Dear Fellow Citizen:

There will be a public meeting of the citizens of Anderson and Anderson County on Sunday Afternoon, July 12, 1964 at 4:P.M. The place of the meeting is St. Paul First Baptist Church on West Reed Street.

I am sure that you are aware that all persons living in the city of Anderson must get new Registration Certificates for voting before the November election. Our meeting will give some thought to this problem.

The officers and other representatives and members of the District Voter Registration Project will be attending this meeting and surely the people of this county will want to be present.

We made an excellent start in running a person for Alderman in Anderson. The job that was done was above that of any other similar effort in the state. We must not stop now. Please attend this important meeting and bring other citizens with you.

The meeting is scheduled to last one (1) hour.

PROGRAM
DISTRICT VOTER REGISTRATION PROJECT

I. Worship Period ..... The Reverend P.C. Carter
Music by St. Paul Gospeliers

II. The Work of The District Voter Registration Project...
District Chairman ... The Reverend McCain

III. Our Local Needs in Voter Registration ..... Reverend James O Rich

IV. General Business Session (District)

(a) Selection of Local Sectional Workers
(b) Publicity Chairman
(c) Committee on Special Sessions

V. Presentation of District Officers and Visitors

VI. Offering

VII. Closing Fellowship and Benediction

Third Congressional District Voter Educational Project

Time and Place

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1. Devotional services
2. Welcome by host county
3. Recognizing visitors and new members
4. County chairmen' reports *
5. District worker's report
6. New business
7. Remarks
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f. Plans for getting negroes in some county positions (board of education, police force and etc.)
g. S. C. Constitution, how made available to negroes or taught
h. Travel and expenses

Rev. S. L. McCain, Chairman
Mrs. Mary Rearden, McCain, Sect.

Rev. Gauldman
Assist. Chairman

JUL 21 1964

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Route 1, Box 140
North Augusta, S. C.
July 19, 1964

Voter Education Project
Room 206
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Gentlemen :

Fin d enclosed the reports from Anderson, Greenwood, Newberry, Saluda, McCormick and Edgefield Counties. These met in Anderson last Sunday afternoon at 4:00 oclock.

We discussed our problems and our accomplishments and how we did go about getting what we did. We also make plans to do more in our counties. Some counties were more successful than others but all are determined to do a much better job than ever before.

We can see the effects of our work in this year on our county officials. They know our goal is first class citizenship and complete freedom.

We have made several trips into Abbiville, Oconnee and Pickens counties. They promised to send representatives to our next meeting which will meet in Greenwood at the Tabernacle Baptist Church, 424 Baptist Street. We meet every Second Sunday afternoon at 4:00 oclock.

In Edgefield County we registered 55 the First Monday in July 1964. As of December 1963 we had 360 registered. Totalregistered in 1964 357, total in Edgefield 717.

We meet in Edgefield each Second Monday Night, discuss our problems and make plans to attack them. We a committee to contact the mayor in order to get a negro on the police force, put lights in all dark streets and stop police brutality in the town.

The spoke favorable to the committee. He said he would see that brutality be stopped at once and will begin putting in more street lights. He would let us know in two weeks about the negro police.

Any suggestion or help from you will be greatly appreciated.

Yours truly,

Rev. S. L. McCain, Chairman
By J. R. McCain

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Third Congressional District Voter Educational Project

Time and Place

The Second Sunday afternoon in August, 1964

Greenwood, South Carolina, at The Tabernacle Baptist Church

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Rev. S. L. McCain, Chairman
Mrs. Mary Rearden, McCain, Sect.

Rev. Gauldman
Assist. Chairman

1. What is the attitude of the registrar's office toward Negro registration? If that attitude is hostile, specify what actions are taken by registrar personnel manifesting this hostility?

JUL 21 1964

The atmosphere has been very cordial. We have not experienced any difficulties

2. Detail any harassment or intimidation of registrants or registration workers by public officials.

None

3. If there have been overt indications of resistance on the part of the white community in general to Negro registration specify what specific form this resistance has taken.

None. They have condone the idea. They expressed their interest.

4. What reasons are given by people who refuse to participate as prospective registrants in the registration program?

There are some Negroes afraid of their jobs. Some stated that their votes don't counts. Some are not interested in the advancement of race

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Dear Congressional Distri[illegible] Chairman:

We are in the process of considering registration work in the Counties of your Congressional District. In addition to the information which we have before us, will you please supply answers to the following questions?

Your speedy action in this regard will be very highly appreciated.

Yours truly,

Randolph T. Blackwell

Congressional District- ~~II~~ 3rd

County- Greenwood

State briefly the history of registration among Negro people in your county from August, 1963 to February, 1964.

We have conducted what we termed as a Voters' Registration Campaign. We divided our city into districts and we went from door to door. We have been successful in getting about 1200 Negroes to secure Registration Certificates. This Campaign was spearheaded by the Ministerial Alliance.

List the names and addresses of county officers.

Rev. E.L. Cain, 131 Singleton Ave. Greenwood, S.C.
" J.P. Baylor, Bot 165 Marshall Rd. Greenwood, S.C.
" J.T. Pope, 678 Gage St. Greenwood, S.C.

List the names and addresses of precinct and ward leaders.

Mrs. J. M. Jonkins E. Cambridge Ave. Greenwood
Mr. V.G. Hames, Rt 4, Bot 150 Greenwood, S.C.
Mr. George Hugh Rt. 2 Hodges, S.C.
Mrs. Mary L. Hill 112 Ellis St. Greenwood, S.C.
Mrs. Willie B. Linton 511 Gordon St. Greenwood, S.C.

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Dear Congressional District Chairman:

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Your speedy action in this regard will be very highly appreciated.

Yours truly,

Randolph T. Blackwell

Congressional District-

County- Anderson County, South Carolina

State briefly the history of registration among Negro people in your county from August, 1963 to February, 1964.

In Anderson we have had a special Voter project for about four months. From these (3) special Night Sessions about 350 persons were placed on the books.

City and County Officers:

Rev. James O. Rich 324 West Reed St.	Mr. Herbert Knuckles South Fant St.	Mr. U. G. Heard. Johnson Street
Mr. Allen Jones Jones Service Station Stephens St.	Miss Lila Johnson Daniels Street	Miss Pauline McDowell Cleveland Avenue

List the names and addresses of county [redacted] leaders

Mr. M.B. Porter ...Lebanon Community, Anderson, S.C.
Mr. Joe S. Brown...Bolt Drive, Anderson, S.C.

List the names and addresses of precinct and ward leaders.

Ward 4

(1) Mr. John Tillman
Delia Street

(2) Mr. Starks

(3) Mr. B. M. Wakefield
Brown Street

(4) Mrs. L. Hardy

(5) Mr. C. Jones

Ward 5

Mr. Harry Johnson
Daniels Street

Mrs. Cleo Levern Hee
Daniels Street

Ward 6

Mr. Jason Thompson

Ward 7

Mr. Chandler Ackers

Ward 8

Mr. George Dean

Ward 3

Mr. Gary
Cleveland Ave
c/o Rev. Russell

Rev. C. J. Williams
West Hampton St.

Ward 2

Mr. Roy Davis
East Market St.

Note: The names with no addresses send mail in care of St. Paul Baptist Church and I will get it to them.

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1. What is the attitude of the registrar's office toward Negro registration? If that attitude is hostile, specify what actions are taken by registrar personnel manifesting this hostility?

Negroes have been well received; however after a number of night sessions which proved very successful requests for additional night sessions were not approved. This was due to the change in the time limit from the first month to three (3) days in each month and the appointment of one person who was somewhat hostil and later a certain situation on the part of the Chairman became a health. Requests have not been made since the new appointments.

2. Detail any harassment or intimidation of registrants or registration workers by public officials.

None

3. If there have been overt indications of resistance on the part of the white community in general to Negro registration specify what specific form this resistance has taken.

No resistance; however the newspapers point up the crowds negro registration and make an appeal for all persons to do so.

4. What reasons are given by people who refuse to participate as prospective registrants in the registration program?

Note: (1) Apathy (2) Lacking Civic Concern (3) Stating Satisfaction (General Observations)

(1) Working during day (2) Not going to do any good
(3) Job concern (4) afraid (5) Do not understand.
(5) Can't read or write

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Rec'd 7/24/64 from J. Due

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VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: Voter Education Project ~~REP~~

Period covered by this report: From April to July 1964

Person reporting Charlie A Daniel

110 N Bankright Ferry Selma, D.C.

Street Address City County State

Date submitted: July 17, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: 3rd Congressional, county Selma, AL

Ward, Beat, etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass Dont have exact number

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics About 30

Number instructed other places Dont have exact number a. Specify places Churches and other Civic Gathering

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week We had about 200 from April thru July 1964

Number successfully registered by this project this week Our biggest drive was the ~~first~~ first week in April and may of 1964

Number denied registration in this project this week not over 10

a. Reason for denial Could not read well enough.

Number contacted by other means Dont have the exact number but we had announcements made in Churches other civic gatherings

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate Dont have exact number but very few.

a. Reason for refusing to participate Some dont think it will help.

Number of persons successfully registered since the start

At least 200 since this Project started

Number of workers in the campaign 20

Remarks In this report every thing is not exact. In our next report things will be more exact. We was successful in getting all the canidates we was in favor of in the June primary except 3 it was 5 office open.

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VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: Voter Education Project

Period covered by this report: From June 1,1964 to July 20,1964

Person reporting J.O. Rich (Rev.)

324 West Reed Street | Anderson | South Carolina
Street Address | City | County | State

Date submitted: July 20,1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Anderson County ... Third District

Ward, Beat, etc. | Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass

Number instructed at home None

Number instructed at clinics None

Number instructed other places 40 a. Specify places Public Church Meetings (Family Reunion where the emphasis was civic responsiability in the community) (one (1) Street Club Meeting)

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this ~~week~~ Month June and July ,1964 ..... 130 ✓

Number successfully registered by this project this ~~week~~ Month 130

Number denied registration in this project this week 15 (Arrive too late)

a.Reason for denial Arrive after 5: P.M.

Number contacted by other means 370

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate (lack of concern) (they are working during the hours of registration)

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 130

Number of workers in the campaign 6

Remarks Anderson City is in the process of registering all voters in the city. There were about 1,100 Negroes registered in the City during the city election in May; However all of these persons must be placed back on the books. This has only been begun with three days per month for registration. Request have been made for additional days.

(over)

The Negro vote in Anderson is very much respected. During the May city primary out of 900 Negro Registered voters on the books more than 700 hundred went to the polls and voted for a Negro candidate for Alderman and other aldermanic candidates. The mayor and 4 of the eight aldermen especially received the winning support of the Negro community. The Negro candidate won the primary and was later defeated in the City run-off.

In the Anderson County election two (2) Magistrates were defeated by Negro voters; however the solicitor lost having been supported by votes of color.

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VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: Edgefield County Improvement Association

Period covered by this report: From 6/10/64 to 7/10/64

Person reporting Thomas Dunton

4 Rosa Hill St., Edgefield Edgefield S.C.
Street Address City County State

Date submitted: 7/20/64

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Edgefield, S.C.

Ward, Beat, etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 200

Number instructed at home ~~45~~ 20

Number instructed at clinics 54

Number instructed other places 200 a. Specify places

At Community Center

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 75

Number successfully registered by this project this week 66

Number denied registration in this project this week 9

a. Reason for denial Did not read the Constitution Well enough they said

Number contacted by other means 300

a. Specify means In Church meeting

Number refusing to participate very few

a. Reason for refusing to participate Afraid of their jobs.

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 367

Number of workers in the campaign 17

Remarks We have 717 registered now, we hope to get 500 more this year, 1964

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VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: Voters' Registration Campaign

Period covered by this report: From January '64 to to July 1964

Person reporting Rev E. L. Cain

151 Singleton Ave. Greenwood, S.C.

Street Address City County State

Date submitted: July 22, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Greenwood County

Ward, Beat, etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 1,500

Number instructed at home We have just begun to organize our Class work. We have

Number instructed at clinics given instruction at various Churches Etc.

Number instructed other places _____ a. Specify places _____

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week We had approximately 800

Total for 1964

Number successfully registered by this project this week 450 persons

Number denied registration in this project this week None ✓

a. Reason for denial We had a large number that were not qualified because they could not sign their names.

Number contacted by other means _____

a. Specify means _____

Number refusing to participate indefinite

a. Reason for refusing to participate Were not interested. Some stated that their votes would not count. Others stated that they didn't have time Etc.

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 450

Number of workers in the campaign We had 27 persons

Remarks We were successful in getting into office five persons. We suffered several defeats as far as the various Canidates

8-29-64
(notify Joe Tucker of outcome)

August 21, 1964

The Rev. S. L. McCain
RFD #1, Box 140
North Augusta, South Carolina

Dear Mr. McCain:

Re VEP 4-20

On August 10, I wrote you requesting three items. One, the carbons of your check numbers 0013 and 0046, and a sample of the printing for which you paid $17.00 to the Rev. J. O. Rich. This total check was for $125.00, was your check #0050, and the voucher half of the check indicated that $17.00 of the $125.00 was for printing. We must have samples of all printing for which VEP money is used.

When Mr. Tucker, of our staff, visited you last week, you gave him the carbon of check #0013, but we still must have the carbon of check #0046, as well as the sample of printing mentioned above. Please send these to us at once.

Rec'd 8-19-64

Sincerely yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:jl

Please bring us up-to-date on financial reporting, also.

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August 10, 1964

The Rev. S. L. McCain
RED #1, Box 140
North Augusta, South Carolina

Dear Mr. McCain:

Re VEF 4-20

On July 23, we wrote you requesting check carbons #0013 and #0045 which have been missing from your financial reporting, and a sample of the printing for which you paid $125 by check #0050 to the Rev. J.O. Rich.

We have not received a reply from you regarding this. Would you kindly send us the material requested at the earliest opportunity.

Sincerely yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:jl

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July 25, 1964

The Rev. S. L. McCain
RFD #1, Box 140
North Augusta, South Carolina

Dear Mr. McCain:

Re VEP 4-20

The carbons for your checks #0013 and #0046 are missing from the financial accounting you have been submitting to this office. We thought at first that you were withholding these checks for some reason but as time goes on we begin to wonder if they are lost. Will you kindly send us your carbons of these two checks.

On July 13 your check #0050 in the amount of $125.00 was written to Rev. J.O. Rich. In the voucher portion of that check the explanation showed that $17.00 was for printing of some sort. May we have a copy of whatever the printing was, both for our research files and for the files which we keep by virtue of our Tax Exempt status. Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

Jean Levine
Fiscal Assistant

August 28, 1964

Rev. S. L. McCain
Route 1, Box 140
North Augusta, South Carolina

RE: VEP 4-20

Dear Rev. McCain:

I regret that you were unable to attend the state meeting last night in Columbia as I wanted very much to talk with you.

VEP has decided to make a grant to a statewide project, and all expenses for the operation of counties in the Third Congressional District will hereafter be taken care of through your new state office in Columbia. In order to make the transition, we are asking that you immediately refund to VEP all money remaining in your special VEP account.

Any bills which you might have which are outstanding after the return of this money to VEP will be paid for by your state office. You should by all means continue your programs in the Third District, as the only difference will be the financial handling.

We respectfully ask your immediate cooperation in sending us a check for the balance in your account, and you are requested to not write anymore checks on your VEP account. If you have any bills which are owed at this time, then send them to us if you have them, or you may send them later.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:bs

cc: Mr. J. R. McCain
Dr. C. H. Thomas

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AUG 28 1964

Dear Sirs:

Enclosed is a news article from the local papers of Anderson, South Carolina which expresses the major reason for the re-registration of all city voters of Anderson, South Carolina .

Negro Efforts For Registration:

1. Note: By special vote of the county delegation the registration books are in the county court house daily from August 1,1964 through August 31,1964 and at this writing three(3) days in September have been approved. During the week of August 24-29 the books will be opened from 11:A.M. until 7:P.M, All other time scheduled is 9:A.M. until 5:P.M.

2. Procedure:

Telephone calls to those persons (especially) who have been registered.

Written letters to all persons for whom records of registration have been obtained.

House to House visitation. From these visits information is secured as to persons in that house of registration age;those registered, those who need help, transportation and etc. and when they will become registered.

Announcements through churches, schools and other special meetings.

A request to city churches and their ministers tom take one night from 5:P.M. until 7:P.M. and try to get her members to go to register as a group.

Public meetings with emphasis on how to qualify persons who need help because they are unprepared or undecided in some way about the matter of registering.

Very truly yours,
James O. Rich
James O. Rich

August 21,1964

St. Paul Tenth Baptist Church
324 W. Reed St.
Anderson, S.C.

Copy to Rev. McCain

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VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: Anderson City Project

Period Covered by this report : From August 10, To *** August 21, 1964

Person reporting James O. Reed

Street 322 W Reed City Anderson County Anderson State S.C.

Date Submitted August 25, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which report applies:

Anderson City, South Carolina

Number contacted by door to door canvass 125

Number instructed at home None

Number instructed at clinics None

Number instructed other places None (a)Specify places

Number applying for registration as a results of this program this week 110

Number successfully registered by this project this week 110

(a) Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means
30 — Family Reunion
65 — Family Reunion
150 — Church Anniversary Convention
200 — Church Association
Total 445

(a) Specify means

Number refusing to participate

(a) Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 130 - 7- 64
110 - 8- 64
Total 240 Plus persons who ~~[illegible]~~ wanted when we could get the record of their being there. Other than from the register.

Number of workers in the campaign

REMARKS:

FOR VOTING

The Daily Mail August 8, 1964

1,700 Register In Week

One of the busiest weeks in the history of the Anderson County Registration Board was concluded today at noon as city electors continued to flock to the board to re-register because of annexation elections.

Mrs. Maude Johnston, chairman, said an official count of certificates issued this week totals over 1,700.

Some 8,000 city electors found themselves faced with the task of re-registering because of precinct boundary changes announced in June following annexation elections.

Election laws state the board will remain open 15-days in August on an election year. However the County Legislative Delegation saw the need for additional days and requested the board to remain open all weekdays in August.

Mrs. Johnston said it looked as if the board could re-register the electors before October 2 — certificates must be held 30-days before the Nov. 3 General Election — at the rate certificates were issued this week.

Over 450 certificates were issued the three days the board opened books in July. The board was doing business at a record clip this week with over 250 re-registering and registering daily.

The board is open weekdays from 9 a. m. until 5 p. m. in the basement of the courthouse and Saturdays from 9 a. m. till noon.

"If the tabulations go as high as we think, then this should be a record week for the board," Mrs. Johnston said.

Mayor John W. Glenn:

I have heard a number of Andersonians who waited in line for 20 minutes to an hour on registration certificates this week say that an additional clerk to help the Registration Board would speed up the process considerably.

Someone who can help citizens identify the correct ward in which they live, give them the proper forms to be filled out, and help answer questions would be of great assistance to the board.

Perhaps a city employee, such as a firemen or policeman, who is familiar with streets and areas could be assigned to help the Board during this rush.

COLONEL ANDERSON

Colonel Anderson:

I live in the City of Anderson. All city voters must get a new registration certificate in order to vote in November.

I cannot go to the Courthouse before 5 p. m. because I have to work every day.

I think the Registration Board should hold a few night sessions for those who cannot go to the Courthouse until after 6 p. m.

CITY VOTER

Rte 1, Box 140
N. Augusta, S.C.

SEP 10 1964

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Vote Education Project.
c/o Mr Wiley A. Branton
Room 206, 54 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, 3, Georgia.

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Dear Mr Branton:

I wish to express my regret, that the check was not mailed earlier, I signed the check sometime ago, and thought the treasurer had forwarded it on to you, but when I checked again yesterday, he had not gotten it off. It is supposed to be in the mail to-day.

I do hope that the new program will be successful. I shall do my best to help in any way that I can.

I had this information to come to me lately concerning the people in McCormick County: it seems that they are required to write a portion of the Constitution, read it, and if they miss 2 words

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they are not allowed to register. even at that, the people are still encouraged to go to the Courthouse and register.

I am very sorry that I wasn't able to attend the meetings that was called, of course I had explained to Mr Thomas that I was in revival and I couldn't very well get off during the week, but I guess the other couldn't make it on week ends, but as I said in the beginning I hope everything will turn out all right.

Very truly yours.
Rev. S. L. McCain

September 29, 1964

Rev S. L. McCain

Mr. J. R. McCain
Route 1, Box 140
North Augusta, South Carolina

RE: VEP 4-20

Dear Mr. McCain:

Please send us all of your canceled checks and bank statements on your VEP program so that we can audit the same. They will be returned to you as soon as they have been audited.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:bs

For file

September 14, 1964

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~~Mr. J. R.~~ McCain
Route 1, Box 140
No. Augusta, South Carolina

RE: VEP 4-20

Dear Mr. McCain:

This will acknowledge receipt of your check made payable to the Voter Education Project in the amount of $1,268.14. If you have any other checks which have not been written and which we have not been furnished copies of, then will you please send them to us at once?

We will also need to audit your VEP account from the time you first opened it, so will you please send us all cancelled checks and bank statements, and also send us the final bank statement as soon as it is available. These records will be returned to you when we have finished with them.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:js

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Voter Education Project

A PROGRAM OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

ROOM 206 / 5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. / ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA / TELEPHONE 525-0595

Wiley A. Branton, Project Director

November 30, 1964

Mr. J. R. McCain
RFD #1, Box 140
North Augusta, South Carolina RE: VEP 4-40

Dear Mr. McCain:

We have been trying since September to get you to send us all of your cancelled checks and bank statements relating to the VEP grant which we made to the Third Congressional District, but as of this date, we have not heard from you.

It is essential that we audit your account, and we would appreciate it if you would send us this material at once so that we can close your account.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:js
cc: Rev. S. L. McCain
Mr. Richard Miles

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11-21-64

FINANCIAL COPY

November 10, 1964

Mr. J. R. McCain
Route 1, Box 140
North Augusta, South Carolina RE: VEP 4-20

Dear Mr. McCain:

We wrote you on September 29, 1964, and requested that you send us all of your cancelled checks and bank statements on your VEP program so that we could audit them, but as of this date, we have not yet heard from you. Will you please send them to us at once.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:js

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10-24-64
WAB 1162 (11/2/64)

September 29, 1964

Mr. J. R. McCain
Route 1, Box 140
North Augusta, South Carolina

RE: VEP 4-20

Dear Mr. McCain:

Please send us all of your canceled checks and bank statements on your VEP program so that we can audit the same. They will be returned to you as soon as they have been audited.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:bs

FINANCIAL COPY

9-26-64

September 14, 1964

Mr. J. R. McCain
Route 1, Box 140
No. Augusta, South Carolina

RE: VEP 4-20

Dear Mr. McCain:

This will acknowledge receipt of your check made payable to the Voter Education Project in the amount of $1,268.14. If you have any other checks which have not been written and which we have not been furnished copies of, then will you please send them to us at once?

We will also need to audit your VEP account from the time you first opened it, so will you please send us all cancelled checks and bank statements, and also send us the final bank statement as soon as it is available. These records will be returned to you when we have finished with them.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:js

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M E M O R A N D U M December 24, 1964

TO: Wiley A. Branton
FROM: Jean Levine
RE: Final Accounting on VEP 4-20
(3rd Cong. Dist. VEp)

Grant:		$3000.00
Disbursements:		
Adv. Print. &Prom.	$ 50.11	
Meals	10.66	
Lodging	32.80	
Salaries	827.46	
Tel. & Tel.	41.09	
Trav. & Trans.	768.60	
Bank Charges	1.14	1731.86
		$1268.14
Refunded to VEP		1268.14

jl

Rte. 1, Box 140
North Augusta, S.C.
January 11, 1965

JAN 15 1965

Voter Education Project
Room 206
5 Forsyth Street N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Sir:

The Posters, programs & advertisements for the September meeting and registration drive had been orderd and I had to pay for them.
A check was lost from August 9th payable to Thomas Dunton. You have for what it was paid. It has never been cashed and can not be cashed now.

Yours truly,
J. R. McCain.

January 11, 1965

Mr. J. R. McCain
RFD #1, Box 140
North Augusta, South Carolina RE: VEP 4-20

Dear Mr. McCain:

We have written you two letters requesting a carbon copy of your check no. 0066 dated October 20, 1964 and made payable to J. R. McCain in the sum of $37.22, togehher with an explanation of the purpose of this expenditure.

This is the only thing holding up the closing of your account with us, and we certainly wishh you would get this information to us at once.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:js
cc: Mr. S. L. McCain
Mr. Richard Miles

December 29, 1964

Mr. J. R. McCain
RFD #1, Box 140
North Augusta, South Carolina

RE: VEP 4-20

Dear Mr. McCain:

We have received no reply to your letter to you of December 7, 1964. Will you please send us a carbon copy of your check no. 0066 dated October 20, 1964, and made payable to J. R. McCain in the sum of $37.22, together with an explanation of the purpose of this last expenditure so that we can close your VEP 4-20 account.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:js
cc: Mr. Richard Miles

December 7, 1964

Mr. J. R. McCain
RFD #1, Box 140
North Augusta, South Carolina RE: VEP 4-20

Dear Mr. McCain:

Thank you for sending the cancelled checks and bank statements which we had requested of you.

We do not have a carbon copy of your last check No. 0066 dated October 20, 1964, and made payable to J. R. McCain in the sum of $37.22. Will you please send us the carbon of this check and explain the purpose of this last expenditure.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:js
cc: Financial

Final accounting done. (12/24/64

January 28, 1965

Mr. J. R. McCain
RFD #1, Box 140
North Augusta, South Carolina RE: VEP 4-20

Dear Mr. McCain:

We are returning herewith the cancelled checks and bank statements which you sent to us at our request last October. They have now been audited, and we have no further need for them, and thought you might want to keep them in your files.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:js
Encl.

May 8, 1964

The Rev. Ezekiel Bell
Madison County Coordinating
Committee
c/o Mr. R. C. Adams
2300 Stanley Drive
Huntsville, Alabama

RE: VEP 4-21

Dear Rev. Bell:

Your request of April 14 was held up because Mr. Blackwell had information that you might get money for voter registration through a large contribution from Huntsville which apparently did not materialize.

We have considered your request and have approved a $600 grant for a three-month program beginning May 10, 1964 and ending August 10. We expect you to carry on a vigorous nonpartisan voter registration program in Madison County, Alabama.

You should have a sufficient supply of voucher checks from your last project, and you may use these. We are enclosing a new set of instructions regarding financial reporting just in case you misplaced the last ones, and you will get instructions from our Research Assistant, Mrs. Barbara Whitaker, regarding progress reporting.

You are familiar with the instructions and conditions imposed on all VEP grants, and we ask you to refer to the instructions and previous correspondence to refresh your memory concerning this. We are enclosing our initial check in the amount of $200, and you may expect similar installments on or about June 5 and July 5.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

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Encl: 1

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APR 15 1964

Madison County Coordinating
Committee for Registration
and Voting
April 14, 1964

Mr. Wiley A. Branton, Project Dirsctor
5 Forsyth Street N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Sir:

For the past year and a half, we have been intensively engaged in the Voter Registration Drivei in Huntsville andMadison County. A good deal of success in our previous campaign has been the cause of your generosity, through thegifts of which you have made available to us. In the next three months, we would like to make an all out effort to register as many persons as we can for this election year.

We feel that with your assistance and with thel local leadership here in Huntsville, we will be able to make quite an impact on our community.

We registered the total number of 202 qualified voters during the past twelve months, this is as following:

May	15	November	20
June	10	December	30
July	20	January	10
August	15	February	10
September	22	March	15
October	15	April	20

We have in our files, the names of all young adults who are becoming the age of 21 this year (1964) and Veternans which will amount to about 125. I have attempted to contact the Principal of the two High Schools in Madison County and ask for a list of the Students that graduated from the High School three years ago, by this effort I have been able to put on file the names of these people who are now 21 years of age. With the ehlp of Mr. Adams, my Assistant, we have this material on file.

The only days that are set for registration at the present time are:

May 11, 12, June 8, 9, 15, 16, 29, 30
July 20, 21, 22

VEPG-21

We would like very much if it is possible to have your assistance in a 3-month Period of Registration. We are asking you if there is any way possible to grant us $600 for these three months and send the first $200, the first of May in order that we may get ready for the big drive in June.

General Chairman	Rev. Ezekiel Bell
Secretary	Miss Geraldine Lay
Treasurer	Mr. Addison Fields
Coordinator	R. C. Adams
Supervisors:	Mr. Thomas Hereford
	Mr. Charles Briggins
	Miss Mattie Mosley
District Workers:	Mr. Hubbard Spraggins
	Mr. Connie Burton
	Mrs. Mary Jones

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

R. C. Adams, /Coordinator
Rev. Ezekiel Bell, Chairman
Geraldine Lay, Secretary

MAY 13 1964

Madison County Coordinating
Committee for Registeration
and Voting
May 11, 1964

Mr. Wiley A. Branton, Project Director
5 Forsyth Street N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Sir:

I am writting to remind you of the letter which you received from me dated April 14, 1964. If it is possible, I would like to have immediate response from you concerning this letter.

In the letter I asked you to send me a grant for $600 for three months, May, June, July. I asked you to send the first $200 the first of May in order to help prepare us for the drive in June. Since I did not get a reply concerning the first grant for $200 for the first of May, I am asking you to send the first grant of $200 on or before June 1.

Will you please give me an immediate response.

Yours very truly,

R.C. Adams

R. C. Adams, Coordinator
Rev. Ezekiel Belle, Chairman
Josephine Wherry, Secretary

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MAY 14 1964

Madison County Coordinating Committee
Huntsville, Alabama
May 12, 1964

Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Sir:

The Voter Education Project of Madison County, Alabama would like to thank you with all sincerity for considering our request, and approving a $600 grant for a three-month program.

We received the initial check today for $200 and was indeed grateful. We are expecting and hoping that we have a very progressive voter registration program this year and in the years to come.

We also appreciate you explaining the reason for delaying our request of April 14. Of course, we were wondering about the delay, and wrote you a letter to that effect. Will you please disregard the letter.

Again we would like to thank you for your kindness, and also for the instructions regarding financial reporting that you sent to us.

Yours Very truly

R. C. Adams

R. C. Adams, Chairman

RCA:JW

VEP 4-21

VEP 4-21

May 13, 1964

Rev. Ezekiel Bell
Madison County Coordinating Committee
c/o Mr. R. C. Adams
2300 Stanley Drive
Huntsville, Alabama

RE: VEP 4-21

Dear Rev. Bell:

We are sending, under separate cover, a supply of research reporting forms. We request that you submit a report no later than the 10th of each month, commencing on June 10. We believe the items on the forms to be self-explanatory, but feel free to question or make comments.

At the conclusion of your project, we will expect a comprehensive narrative report. The outline for this report is enclosed.

Let us know if we can be of assistance to you.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Barbara I. Whitaker
Research Assistant

BIW:js

Encl.: 1

June 3, 1964

Mr. R. C. Adams, Chairman
Madison County Coordinating Committee
2300 Stanley Drive
Huntsville, Alabama

RE: VEP 4-21

Dear Mr. Adams:

I enclose herein our check in the amount of $200 representing payment of the second installment toward your total grant of $600.

We realize that you did not receive the first installment in sufficient time to get an effective program going before your May 11 and 12 registration dates, but we look forward to excellent results during the six days you will have in June.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:bs

Encl: $200 check

4-21

JL

June 8, 1964

Mr. R. C. Adams
2300 Stanley Drive
Huntsville, Alabama

Dear Mr. Adams:

In my letter to you, dated June 6, 1964, I indicated that I was puzzled as to what happened to your checks preceding check 152. After checking in my files on the weekend, I realize now that these checks were ones used in your old project, and checks beginning with 152 that you submitted to us for your new project were just a continuation from your old project.

As a result of my finding, please disregard my request for a reply from you relative to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Jean Levine /bs
Fiscal Assistant

VE P 4-21

6-13-64

June 6, 1964

Mr. R. C. Adams
2300 Stanley Drive
Huntsville, Alabama

Dear Mr. Adams:

Thank you for your financial reporting which we received last week.

There is one matter that needs clearing up and I wonder if you would assist me in this. Voucher checks never begin with odd numbers, yet the first check in the series of carbons you submitted, began with check 152. Since you will notice, in the financial instructions this office must receive carbon copies of all checks written, including voided checks, I am wondering what happened to the checks preceding 152. This is especially puzzling, considering that the reporting-received last week was the first financial reporting we have received from you.

Would you write me concerning this, please.

Sincerely yours,

Jean Levine
Fiscal Assistant

June 22, 1964

Mr. R. C. Adams
2300 Stanley Drive
Huntsville, Alabama

Dear Mr. Adams:

Re VEP 4-21

Thank you for your letter of June 19, and for the explanation of the high check number with which you began the financial reporting on this present project.

We understand that you are continuing to use the same checks left from the former program of your group and that during the interim between the old program and this current one you had used the same bank account for deposit and withdrawal of monies you raised yourselves. I am sure that you understand that, according to the terms of VEP grants, you are not to deposit funds from any source other than VEP into this bank account, during this life of this VEP-supported program.

Thank you again for your prompt reply.

Sincerely yours,

Jean Levine
Fiscal Assistant

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Rec'd 6/20/64

JL

June 19, 1964

Voter Education Project
Room 206
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Sir:

This is to ackonwledge your letter of June 6, 1964 concerning the checks preceding check No. 152.

The reason that our financial report began with check No. 152 is because of the fact that the checks are used for personal money of the Voter Education Project. By this, I mean that all money received by the Voter Education Project is deposit and drawn from the bank under the same name. Therefore, when the Voter Education Project was or is' unable to supply us with a grant; we are able or was able to raise money of our own. When we raise this money, it is deposit in the bank under the same name as that that we receive from you. This money is drawn out of the bank with the same checks that are use to drawn the money out that we receive from you. When we received your grant, we started with checks following the preceding ones that we had used.

I hope that I have cleared the matter concerning the check preceding 152. However, if there are further clarifications that should be made, please let us know.

We have many checks on hand, and could never use them all for the grants that we receive from you. We hope that you will be in agreement with our using the checks for the money raised from other sources by the Voter Education Project.

Sincerely yours,

R. C. Adams

R. C. Adams, Coordinator

RCA:JW

July 1, 1964

Mr. R. C. Adams, Coordinator
Madison County Coordinating Committee
2300 Stanley Drive
Huntsville, Alabama

RE: VEP 4-21

Dear Mr. Adams:

Thank you for your letter on the date of June 30. We agree that you did quite well during your June registration drive, and we hope that you can do equally as well in July.

We are enclosing our check in the amount of $200, representing payment of the final installment toward your total grant of $600.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:js

Encl: 1

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JUL 1 1964

June 30, 1964

Mr. W. A. Branton, Project Director
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Sir:

We are very delighted to give you the monthly report of the registaration days during the month of June.

During the month of June, six days had been set aside by the Registration Board. However, two of the days were taken away. The days set aside were June 8, 9, 15, 16, 29, 30. The last two days were taken away. During the four days, we registered 120 people. We think that we did quite well.

In this letter, I am also enclosing the Monthly Financial Report.

We are always pleased to let you know of the progress we are making in the Madison County Voter Project.

Yours very truly,

MADISON COUNTY COORDINATING COMMITTEE

R C Adams

R. C. Adams, Coordinator

Enclosure

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answ.

July 10, 1964

Rev. R. C. Adams
Madison County Coordinating
Committee
2300 Stanley Drive
Huntsville, Alabama

RE: VEP 4-21

Dear Rev. Adams:

After checking our files, we have discovered we have received no reports from you for the month of June.

Would you kindly send us this delinquent report so that we may bring our files up-to-date?

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Barbara I. Whitaker
Research Assistant

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JUL 27 1964

July 24, 1964

Mr. W. A. Branton, Project Director
5 Forsyth Street N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Sir:

This letter is to give you the monthly report of the progress made during the month of July.

We were given three registration days in July. They were July 6, 13, 14. During these three days, we registered 48 persons. On Monday, July 6, we registered 12 persons; Monday, July 13, we registered 14 persons; Tuesday, July 22, we registered 22 persons.

It is a pleasure for us to give you the progress that the Madison County Voter project made during the month of July.

Yours very truly,

MADISON COUNTY VOTER PROJECT

R.C. Adams

R. C. Adams, Coordinator

RCA/jw

VEP 4-21

August 28, 1964

The Rev. R. C. Adams, Coordinator
Madison County Coordinating Committee
2300 Stanley Drive
Huntsville, Alabama

RE: VEP 4-21 yellow

Dear Rev. Adams:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of July 24 in which you requested a continuation of your $200 per month grant for three more months. At the time of your request, we did not see where we could continue your program, but wanted to wait until we were certain before replying.

We concluded that we can give you $200 for the month of September, and we will hold in abeyance any decision regarding the month of October. Our check in the amount of $200, representing payment of the September grant, is enclosed herein.

Please let us know the additional dates when your books will be open for registration between September 1, and October 24.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:js
Encl: $200 check

WB

JUL 27 1964

July 24, 1964

Mr. Branton, Project Director
5 Forsyth Street N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Sir:

It was our understanding that we were to receive a grant of $200 each month beginning May for a period of three months. This period has ended.

At this time, we should like to thank you for the co-operation that you have given us. We should also like to thank you for the interest that you have shown toward the Voter Education Project. Without your aid and co-operation, we would not have been in a position to carry on as fluently and strongly as we did.

Due to certain circumstances, we did not accomplish the goal that we had set. However, we are still engaged in the registration program. There are still many persons to be registered. We are working hard, and will be working until we see that we have registered all those persons who have the desire to become registered voters.

May I request, if you will, for a continuation of our grant for three more months. If it is not possible for you to continue the grant of $200 for three more months, we would like to have any amount of support that you could give us. Any amount of help would certainly be appreciated.

Since the Civil Rights Bill has been passed, there was suppose to have been a change in the literate test given to persons registering. However, there has been no change in the literate test. If this fault would be corrected, and we hope it will be corrected soon, there would be many persons who could become registered voters.

Again I would like to thank you for your wonderful co-operation. May we hear from you soon.

Yours very truly,

R. C. Adams

R. C. Adams, Coordinator

VEP 4-21

September 25, 1964

Mr. R. C. Adams
2300 Stanley Drive
Huntsville, Alabama

RE: VEP 4-21

Dear Mr. Adams:

Mr. Branton has said it was necessary to send your financial report to the VEP office before any possible consideration for future grants can be made. An account of expenditures from previous grants should be made to this office weekly.

We will be expecting to hear from you very soon on this matter.

Very truly yours,

Joe Louis Tucker
Field Representative

JLT:jm

Part of Jeb Fields Trip Report dated 9/25

MADISON COUNTY COORDINATING COMMITTEE VEP 4-21

Mr. R. C. Adams, Huntsville, Alabama: There are 2,700 registered Negroes in Huntsville. Mr. Adams doesn't have any volunteer workers. There are about 4,000 registered Negroes in the county as a whole. There is one paid worker, a secretary who works part-time. Mr. Adams stated that, "....to get any help out of anybody, you has to pay them. We pay them when we have the money."

If you fail the voter test, you have to wait six months before you can take the test again. The registration board determines the length of time you have to wait. The main problem is the voter test, which the state of Alabama makes as difficult as possible. (See attached sample.) There are eight days to register in October. First Monday and Tuesdays of each week.

There are 23,000 white registered voters in Madison County, and 4,000 Negroes registered. There are 21,000 Negroes in the county, and 100,000 whites.

There are five districts in Madison County. Mr. Adams has four districts committees that work on voter registration in the county.

Mr. Adams has prepared the financial statement (I saw it) that will show accounting for $200.85. He said he was holding it until it was time to mail it into the office. He said the books were closed in August, and that is why VEP got no financial statement from him then. The Madison County Coordinating Committee has a balance in their account of $.85. Adams stated that if he had more funds to pay some experienced voter registration workers, he could do a better job, and increase voter registration. He said he was proud to get 25 people registered in a day because its so hard to get the Negroes out to meetings and down to the registrars office.

Mr. Adams also stated that there were trained voter registration workers who live in Huntsville and could help in the voter drive, but he would need some funds to pay their expenses if he sought their assistance. He said these young people were trained at Dorchester County Training School in Georgia.

Mr. Adams is in hopes that VEP will continue its support of the voter program in Huntsville because it has been a very helpful boost in the registration drive.

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Dr. Cashin: (File white copy: VEP 4-21)

Dr. Cashin came in 6 out of 7 in the mayor's race with 527 votes. He's glad he didn't get more votes because this can prove some of his beliefs, such as: 1) The lack of Negro leadership in Huntsville; 2) The people who do lead take "grafts" from white politicians for the Negro vote; 3) There is no needed possible Negro block vote in Huntsville. Dr. Cashin plans to make an exposé of the so-called Negro leadership in Huntsville. Included in this exposé will be R. C. Adams, who Cashin said takes "pocket" money from some of the politicians.

Cashin said nothing is going on in voter registration. He stated that Adams was trying, but needed someone to outline what to do, and then he certainly would do it. Dr. Cashin stated that when Randolph Blackwell was here, he told Adams what todo, and things went smoothly, but not with Blackwell gone. Adams has no one to tell him what to do and he somewhat "flounders around" - but he does try, seemingly with not too much progress being made.

Mr. J. Edwin Stanfield, 2333 Galatin, Huntsville, Alabama, 539-4648:

While in Huntsville, I talkedbriefly with Ed Stanfield, and he sent greetings to the staff of VEP and SRC. He asked that I send him the names and addresses of VEP project directors in Alabama for contact purposes. This will be done on approval from WAB.

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Mr. Donald Jackson, 512 Brahham Ave., Rome, Georgia VEP 4-29 (NAACP-Georgia Cities): (File white copy in VEP 4-29)

The project in Rome is closed, but WAB wanted me to stop and somewhat evaluate the project in a discussion with Mr. Jackson.

Mr. Jackson couldn't be reached, but I left my card, and in the mail on 9/24/64, received a note and some newspaper clippings (see attachments) which might merit upon approval from WAB, a field trip to Rome to discuss first-hand the situation of registration and voting in that city.

JLT

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Attachments

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September 28, 1964

Mr. R. C. Adams
Madison County Coordinating
Committee
2300 Stanley Drive
Huntsville, Alabama

RE: VEP64-21

Dear Mr. Adams:

Your financial reporting to this office is long overdue. We had told Mr. Tucker to bring this to your attention when he was out there last week, and his report indicates that you felt your report was not yet due.

We require weekly financial reporting, and we therefore ask that you get your report in to us at once, and make every effort to keep your financial reporting on time in the future, as we have certain regulations which we must comply with, and your tardiness delays our own reporting.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:js

NOTE: Mr. Adams is NOT Rev. Adams, as we have so long thought. He informed JT of this fact on the trip mentioned above.

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SEP 29 1964

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September 28, 1964

Mr. W.A. Branton, Project Director
5 Forsyth Street N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Sir:

This letter is to give you the monthly report of the progress made during the month of September.

Once a month we gave instructions on how to fill out applications to those persons who were going to register. We did this to help encourage them, because so many applications were turn down.

We were given three registration days in September. They were September 12,14, and 15. During these three days we registered 88 persons. On Saturday, September 12, we registered 40, Monday, September 14, we registered 28, Tuesday, September 15, we registered 20 person.

Yours very truly,

MADISON COUNTY VOTER PROJECT

R.C. Adams

R.C. Adams, Coordinator

RCA/amt

VEP 4-21

10/1/64

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September 30, 1964

Mr. Wiley A. Branton, Project Director
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton:

We received your letter indicating that our financial report was overdue. When we received your letter we had already mail you our monthly report.

We didn't have the understanding that we were to send a weekly report. If this is what you want we will send you a report each week.

Beginning with the week to come we will send our report in on time.

Very truly yours,

R. C. Adams/amt

R.C. Adams, Coordinator

RCA/amt

4-21

September, 1964
Birmingham Herald

VR 2-21

JUNIOR CRUSADERS OF JEFFERSON COUNTY ATTEND ANNUAL SOCIAL — The Junior Crusaders of Jefferson County sponsored by the Ninth Congressional District of the Alabama State Coordinating Association for Registration and Voting, culminated an eventful summer's activities with a very colorful social given in their honor by the Ninth Congressional District organization. Crusader organizations are organized in the following communities: Fairfield, Ensley, Wenonah, Riley, Pratt City, Docena, Maple Grove Adamsville, Finley Avenue and Brummitt Heights.

These young people have dedicated themselves as crusaders for voter registration in their respective communities. Their pledge is "4 for 64," which means they must pledge to give at least four hours per week to stimulate non-voters to register.

Because we live in a competitive society, there must always be some one who ranks first. Such a crusader is Mary Simmons of Docena who won the first prize this summer for her outstanding work as a crusader not only in her immediate community, but in other communities of Birmingham.

The Junior Crusader movement is not a temporary organization. The organization will continue to function during the school year and will meet on the fourth Saturday in each month at 3 o'clock in the Masonic Temple Building. If you have not awaken to your duty as a junior citizen, do so now, become a Junior Crusader today. For information about joining call 324-0424 Mrs. Bernice C. Johnson, Coordinator, Ninth Congressional District of Alabama State Coordinating Association for Registration and Voting.

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M E M O R A N D U M

October 9, 1964

TO: Wiley A. Branton
FROM: Jean Levine
RE: Closing Accounting on VEP 4-21 (Madison County)

Brot. Fwd.		2.00
Grants:		$800.00
		$802.00
Expenditures:		
Adv. Print. & Prom.	$ 13.00	
Office Supplies	83.92	
Postage	22.00	
Salaries	XXXXXXX (614.00)	
Trav. & Trans.	46.00	
Tel. & Tel.	22.23	
Total		801.15
Balance		$ .85

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FINANCIAL COPY

May 14, 1964

Dr. John Morsell
NAACP
20 West 40th Street
New York 18, New York

RE: VEP 4-22

Dear Dr. Morsell:

As a result of requests submitted to us for NAACP voter registration programs by Mr. W. C. Patton, we are pleased to approve a grant in the amount of $7,640 for ten Tennessee areas as follows:

Memphis	$1,800.00
Chattanooga	1,840.00
Haywood County	500.00
Fayette County	500.00
Union City	500.00
Bolivar	500.00
Johnson City	500.00
Ripley	500.00
Tipton	500.00
Dyersburg	500.00
TOTAL AMOUNT REQUESTED -	$7,640.00

The above list represents all of the places requested by NAACP, and we have been able to approve the full budget requested for each assignment. If for any reason you subsequently desire to spend less than the allocated amount for any one area in Tennessee, then you are free to transfer the surplus to any of the other assigned areas. in Tennessee. The Nashville program is under a direct grant and it is probably that we will supplement the current program in that city.

It is our understanding that each of the above assigned areas will get underway as soon as possible between May 15

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and June 1, and that each of them will run for the full month of June and up until the books close on or about July 6.

We especially want to keep up with the Tennessee program (as we do all others), and it would be helpful if Mr. Patton and his staff would send us preliminary reports just as fast as they go into these areas to set the program up, so that we will know who is going to be responsible for each local program.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:js

Encl: 1

cc: Mr. W. C. Patton

Memphis Press-Scimitar

250,141 Can Vote In City, County

By JAMES H. WHITE, *Press-Scimitar Staff Writer*

Voter registration in the city and county set a new record as of May 1, Mrs. Margaret Hilbun, registrar, said today.

There were 250,141 persons registered as of that date.

This compares with the previous record of 249,788 two years ago, she said.

White voters included in that total numbered 168,722.

Negroes numbered 81,419, which is a higher percentage of their population than white voters.

Totals registered inside the city stood at 206,746, of which 70,724 were negroes, Mrs. Hilbun said.

Despite the record registration, the Permanent Registration Office has not been too busy, she said. "We expect things to pick up next week when we begin our supplemental registration program."

Starting Tuesday, citizens will be able to register at 22 outlying locations thruout the city and county. Supplementals will be held four days a week, Tuesday thru Friday, from 2 p.m. to 9 p.m. thru June 19, she said.

Meanwhile, the negro citizen and Non-Partisan Registration Committee has begun a drive to spur negro registration.

W. C. Patton, associate director of voter registration for NAACP's Memphis chapter, said volunteer workers will canvass negro homes to promote registration. A rally will be held Wednesday night at the Sarah Brown YWCA, 1044 Mississippi.

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MEMPHIS PRESS-SCIMITAR, SATURDAY MAY 23, 1964

Shelby Ranks Low on Voter Registration

By BILL E. BURK
Press-Scimitar Staff Writer

Shelby County's registered voters, numbering 248,542, represent 15.2 per cent of the total registered voters in Tennessee. Shelbians cast 111,721 or 17.9 per cent, of the 620,758 votes in the last state election in November 1962.

Yet the Ninth District, which comprises all of Shelby, shows the lowest percentage of registered voters per population, using 1960 census figures in all cases.

COMPARISON

These facts are shown in a State Election Commission report, released today. It showed only 34.8 per cent of the Shelby population registered to vote. The Second District, which includes Knoxville, has the highest percentage, 52.3. First District, including the Tri-Cities, ranked second, 49.5, and the Sixth District, including Clarksville, third, 49.4.

Tennessee's 1960 population was 3.5 million, of which 1.6 million, or 45.6 per cent, were registered voters.

Among the "big city" counties, Shelby again placed a distant last.

KNOX LEADS

Knox County (Knoxville) had 57.9 per cent of its population registered; Davidson (Nashville), 38.7; Hamilton (Chattanooga), 38.4, and Shelby 34.8.

In total voters, the Ninth District ranked second only to the Second District, which has 260,300 voters.

The report showed 2311 voting machines in use in the state 1200 of them in Shelby. During the last state-wide election in 1962, 48.5 per cent of the 620,758 votes were cast on machines.

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Please direct reply to:

W. C. Patton
Field Secretary
234 Hernando Street
Memphis 5, Tenn.
525-6057

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JL ✓
Return to JL

May 26, 1964

Miss Jean Levine
Fiscal Assistant
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Miss Levine:

Please find enclosed corrected copies of the May 14th and 20th Petty Cash Reports. The $4.96 balance is the correct one.

Now I can buy that pair of hose that I had to postpone buying to make up the shortage.

Thanks for bringing this to my attention.

Sincerely yours,

Lurline Crawford

Lurline Crawford

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May 21, 1964

Ms. Lurline Crawford
c/o Mr. W. C. Patton
234 Hernando Street
Memphis 3, Tennessee

Dear Ms. Crawford:

I am confused by the petty cash accounting received with your financial reporting last week and ask that you assist me in straightening this out. According to the last petty cash reporting we received your balance was $4.96. However, the reporting dated May 14, 1964, shows the balance from the last report as $6.46. According to our records the $4.96 balance is the accurate one and I wonder if you would explain to me the discrepancy if the $6.46 balance is not in error.

Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

Jean Levine
Fiscal Assistant

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Note names for Contact File

Period covered by this report: From May 25 to May 29 19 64

Person reporting Miss Alma A. Harper

311 Greenwood — Street Address
Union City — City
Obion — County
Tennessee — State

Date submitted: May 30, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Obion County

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 50

Number instructed at home [redacted]

Number instructed at clinics [redacted]

Number instructed other places 50 a. Specify places Rural areas in Obion County

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 7

Number successfully registered by this project this week 7

Number denied registration in this project this week None

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate 4

a. Reason for refusing to participate Not interested;

Number of person successfully registered since the start 7

Number of workers in the campaign 3

Remarks

Reports must be sent weekly. Note: Attach narrative report to this.

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Period covered by this report: From May 25 to May 30 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. Rachel Ann Freeman

East College Court Apt. 8 — Street Address
Union City — City
Obion — County
Tennessee — State

Date submitted: May 30, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Obion County

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 60

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places 10 a. Specify places Surrounding area;

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 4

Number successfully registered by this project this week 4

Number denied registration in this project this week None

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate 24

a. Reason for refusing to participate Religion beliefs; embarrassment; no desire to vote; too old; sick; not interested; do not believe in voting;

Number of person successfully registered since the start 4

Number of workers in the campaign 10

Remarks

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JOHNSON CITY, TENN., PRESS-CHRONICLE
SATURDAY MORNING, MAY 30, 1964

Voting drive planned during NAACP meeting

The Johnson City Chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People last night met to lay plans to get maximum numbers of Negroes to register to vote in this fall's general election.

Mrs. Charles McConnell was named chairman for the voter registration campaign, which will be in force until July 16.

Posters, bumper stickers and literature unging Negroes to register to vote were given to members of the group to be distributed.

A motion was passed to ask lawyers for the state NAACP to consider filing a suit against the Johnson City School Board to test the legaity of Johnson City's grade-a-year integration plan. The Schoo Board yesterday reiterated its stand that the present plan is supported by a majority in Johnson City.

Helen Hayes, assistant field secretary for the Tennessee NAACP Conference, suggested methods for carrying out the voter registration campaign.

Miss Hayes told the group that "the ballot and education is the key" to gaining more rights for Negroes.

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SPECIAL REPORT
POLITICAL ACTION

By: Miss Helen Hayes
Date: May, 1964

TENNESSEE

Johnson City, Washington County, Tennessee is the sixth largest city in Tennessee with a population of 32,700 in the city limits, 45,000 in the metropolitan area, 173,000 in the trading area and 300,000 in a 25 mile radius, the economic buying power in Johnson City is $55,000,000. There are 3,000 Negroes in Johnson City, 1/3 being of voting age.

There are industrial plants in and around Johnson City. However, few Negroes work in these plants.

There is token integregation in Johnson City. A handful of Negroes work in some of the department stores; the schools are still in accord with the grade a year plan. Also, a committee of Johnson City residents are petitioning the School Board's ruling.

The campaign was organized on an all out crash effort. Citizenship Sunday was held May 30th. Most of the ministers preached the Citizenship Sermon in its entirety. Johnson City was divided into areas, each area having an area captain and block workers.

Mrs. John W. Moragne is directing the campaign, with headquarters at 542 Washington Avenue. Mrs. Charles McComull is serving as chairman.

The kick-off meeting got tremendous coverage. A newspaper reporter from the daily press was there and a T.V. cameraman was also present. The meeting made the 7:00 a.m. news and the 11:00 p.m. news.

Johnson City is a very slow moving town as far as racial progress is concerned and very few Negroes have good paying jobs. Most Negroes work as field hands and on odd jobs.

There are no elaborate Negro subdivisions. However, there are integrated neighborhoods.

At this point, the campaign is moving along fairly well.

MEMPHIS: Memphis, Shelby County, Tennessee is the largest city in Tennessee with a population of 701,000; the breakdown is 251,100 Negroes and 449,900 whites. There are approximately 82,000 registered Negroes in the Memphis and Shelby County area and 25,000 more of voting age.

The Memphis campaign opened May 20th with a kick-off meeting. The kick-off meeting was a success but at this point the campaign is moving at a slow pace.

Letters were sent to all precinct, ward and housing leaders a few days before the meeting. At the meeting, area leaders were given worker's kits and publicity material to be distributed in said area. Most of the workers in the campaign this year also worked last year.

Methods were sought to perk up the Memphis campaign. A sound truck was put in each area on the days that supplemental registration is in that neighborhood, further informing the people to go to the supplemental station and register.

Thus far, no overflow crowds have appeared at any of the supplemental stations. A different kind of strategy is being thrown into the campaign.

A one day crash canvassing program is being planned. This program will entail each area leader and area director getting at least 10 young persons to work with them. These young persons will be responsible for knocking on doors. Another group of students will be responsible for peaceful picketing. The youth will parade up the busiest streets in each precinct or ward. Picket signs were given to all of the leaders.

The Negro neighborhoods in Memphis are nice with the exception of slum areas that are in every city.

Negroes are employed in a variety of positions; industry, downtown stores, government positions, etc.

No Negro has been elected to any public office. However, it has been rumored that a Negro will run for the State Legislature.

The former Mayor of Memphis appointed several Negroes to various positions, and the present Mayor has appointed a few Negroes to serve on various committees.

The fight is now on to integrate all public accommodations in Memphis. However, most of the leading hotels and motels are integrated. The pools will be closed again this summer due to a pending suit.

A great deal of action is going on in Memphis and most of the citizens would like to have Memphis declared an open city.

Memphis is an old hand at voter registration and 99% Negro registration could be gotten if the persons are willing to work this year as in previous years.

<u>DYERSBURG:</u> Dyersburg, Dyer County, Tennessee is located in the western

part of the State of Tennessee in the heart of the cotton area. The population is 18,000.

The chief work in Dyersburg for Negroes is the cotton field. Other Negroes work as maids, laborers, janitors, etc. A handful of Negroes have been hired in five and dime stores. One Negro has been hired at Sears, Roebuck & Co. These Negroes are not clerks. They hold janitorial positions, etc.

There are a sizeable number of Negro teachers in Dyersburg. The Principal of the high school was recently appointed by Governor Clement to the Board of Education for the State of Tennessee.

In Dyersburg, the Chamber of Commerce is the determining factor in regard to all integration movements. The President of the NAACP branch has negotiated with the Chamber of Commerce. However, some persons in the community feel that the negotiation was done in an Uncle Tom fashion, but this is something that the Regional Director will have to look into.

The Negro housing situation in Dyersburg is fair. There are few slum areas. The major slum area is where most of the cotton pickers live.

Mrs. Ovella Ross is directing the campaign for the first three weeks after which, Mrs. Johnnie Whittelaw will take over for the remainder of the campaign.

Attorney Ben Hooks spoke at a Mass Meeting in Dyersburg and urged the people to register.

The only hold back in voter registration in Dyersburg seems to be that persons in the fields cannot get off until after five or much later. These persons will have to register on Saturday if they are not in the fields then.

The town of Dyersburg can do a good job as far as the people and material are concerned. The trouble is getting the people in the fields interested enough to stop chopping cotton for an hour or so and exercising their rights as citizens and register.

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Period covered by this report: From May 17 to May 30 1964

Person reporting Hugh T. Love

234 Hernando Street — Memphis — Shelby — Tennessee

Street Address — City — County — State

Date submitted:

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Shelby County

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places — a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program ~~XXXXXXX~~ 2,824

Number successfully registered by this project ~~XXXXXXX~~ 2,824

Number denied registration in this project ~~XXXXXXX~~ None

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means 151,000

a. Specify means Sound Truck; newspaper coverage; Radio spot announcements; 3 minute speeches and sermons in churches;

Number refusing to participate None

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of person successfully registered since the start 2,824

Number of workers in the campaign 300

Remarks The above figures were gott n from the election commission because it is difficult to get weekly report from workers. There is also a great deal of laxity and complacency on the part of civic and community leaders. Our efforts have been centered around the city's supplemental registration stations. During the period of supplemental registration, the registration books have been moved to different sections of the city.

We have used a sound truck in the areas surrounding the places of registration. We have also distributed handbills throughout the city and county telling the people of the places and dates of registration.

Reports must be sent weekly. Note: Attach narrative report to this.

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Period covered by this report: From May 16 to May 29 19 64

Person reporting Mr. William W. Kyles

201 S. Blake Street Lake Charles Calcasieu Louisiana

Street Address City County State

Date submitted: June 4, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Calcasieu Parish

Ward, Beat, Etc. Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 437

Number instructed at home 230

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 73

Number successfully registered by this project this week 73

Number denied registration in this project this week None

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of person successfully registered since the start 443

Number of workers in the campaign 176

Remarks

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Period covered by this report: From June 1 to June 6 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. Ovelia Ross

1589 Dyer Street | Dyersburg | Dyer | Tennessee

Street Address | City | County | State

Date submitted: June 6, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Dyer County

Ward, Beat, Etc. | Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 43

Number instructed at home 13

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 13

Number successfully registered by this project this week 13

Number denied registration in this project this week None

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means 10

a. Specify means Telephone calls;

Number refusing to participate 30

a. Reason for refusing to participate Not interested; "Will register another time";

Number of person successfully registered since the start 13

Number of workers in the campaign 1

Remarks

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Period covered by this report: From June 1 to June 6 1964

Person reporting Mr. Thomas C. Mason

Route 1, Box 229 — Street Address
Mason — City
Tipton — County
Tennessee — State

Date submitted: June 6, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Tipton County

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places — a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 69

Number successfully registered by this project this week 69

Number denied registration in this project this week None

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means Unknown

a. Specify means Telephone calls;

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of person successfully registered since the start 69

Number of workers in the campaign

Remarks

Reports must be sent weekly. Note: Attach narrative report to this.

Seek 15,000 new voters in Memphis

MEMPHIS, Tenn — The NAACP has embarked upon its final pre - primary voter registration campaign in hopes of increasing the number of colored voters by 15,000, announced W C. Patton, NAACP field secretary for Southern Voter Registration.

Mr. Patton said this phase of the NAACP's continuous drive to enroll every colored eligible to vote will end July 6 when ballot books throughout the state close prior to the Aug. 6 contest.

Officials of Memphis and Shelby County recently publicly estimated that there are 250,141 registered voters, of which 81,419 are colored.

The NAACP official added that similar drives have been launched in Union City, Chattanooga, Ripley, Bolivar, Johnson City, Tipton, Dyersburg, and Haywood and Fayette counties.

Successful campaigns have been concluded in Knoxville and Jackson, Mr. Patton said.

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Period covered by this report: From June 1 to June 6 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. Rachel Ann Freeman

E. College Court Apt. 8 | Union City | Obion | Tennessee

Street Address | City | County | State

Date submitted: June 8, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Obion County

Ward, Beat, Etc. | Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 60

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 13

Number successfully registered by this project this week 13

Number denied registration in this project this week None

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate 12

a. Reason for refusing to participate "Too old;" "Not interested";

Number of person successfully registered since the start 17

Number of workers in the campaign 10

Remarks

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Period covered by this report: From June 2 to June 6 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. John W. Moragne

542 Washington Avenue Johnson City Washington Tennessee

Street Address City County State

Date submitted: June 8, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Washington County

Ward, Beat, Etc. Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 128

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 33

Number successfully registered by this project this week 33

Number denied registration in this project this week None

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate 3

a. Reason for refusing to participate Not interested

Number of person successfully registered since the start 33

Number of workers in the campaign 6

Remarks

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June 8, 1964

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Mr. Wiley A. Branton
Room 206
5 Forsyth St. N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton:

Enclosed please find duplicate requisitions for checks drawn on the Voter Education Project Fund to the order of the NAACP and W. C. Patton.

Very truly yours,

Richard W. McClain

Richard W. McClain
Chief Accountant

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NEW YORK 18, N. Y.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE

Date: May 5, 1964

Draw to the Order Of: N.A.A.C.P. $ 3,994.81

DETAILS: For: Reimbursement of Salaries and payroll taxes paid by NAACP from March 1, thru May 30, 1964, with the exception of Hugh T. Love who goes from February 1, thru May 30, 196 4.as follows:

John Edwards.....	$ 720.00	
Helen Hayes.....	1200.00	
Lurline Crawford.....	600.00	
Hugh T. Love.....	1200.00	
Total Salries...	3720.00	
Soc. Sec. Emplyrs.....	142.09	
Unemployment Insurance.....	122.76	
Disability Benefit Insurance	9.06	7.96
Total.....	$3994.81	274.81

$ 3,994 81

Requested by: Richard W. McClain Approved by: [signature]

NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT
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NEW YORK 18, N. Y.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE

Date: 5/18/64

Draw to the Order Of: W. C. Hatton $ 3,000.00

DETAILS: For: Replenishing revolving expense account in re Voter Education Projects. $ 3,000 00

Requested by: Richard W. McClain Approved by: J Morsell

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Period covered by this report: From June 8 to June 13 19 64

Person reporting Mr. Thomas C. Mason

Route 1, Box 229 — Mason — Tipton — Tennessee

Street Address — City — County — State

Date submitted: June 13, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Tipton County

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 150

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places — a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 90

Number successfully registered by this project this week 90

Number denied registration in this project this week None

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means Unknown

a. Specify means Handbills; Telephone calls;

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of person successfully registered since the start 166

Number of workers in the campaign 1

Remarks

Reports must be sent weekly. Note: Attach narrative report to this.

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Period covered by this report: From June 8 to June 12 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. Rachel Ann Freeman

East College Street, Apt. 8 Union City Obion Tennessee

Street Address City County State

Date submitted: June 13, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Obion County

Ward, Beat, Etc. Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 60

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 15

Number successfully registered by this project this week 15

Number denied registration in this project this week None

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate 12

a. Reason for refusing to participate Not interested; don't think it will help; too old;

Number of person successfully registered since the start 32

Number of workers in the campaign 10

Remarks

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Period covered by this report: From May 29 to June 11 19 64

Person reporting Mr. William W. Kyles

201 S. Blake Street — Lake Charles — Calcasieu — Louisiana

Street Address — City — County — State

Date submitted: June 14, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Calcasieu Parish

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 4,278

Number instructed at home 2,198

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 35

Number successfully registered by this project this week 35

Number denied registration in this project this week None

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of person successfully registered since the start 478

Number of workers in the campaign 176

Remarks

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Period covered by this report: From June 8 to June 13 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. Ovella Ross

1509 Rose Street — Dyersburg — Dyer — Tennessee

Street Address — City — County — State

Date submitted: June 14, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Dyer County

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 50

Number instructed at home 20

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places — a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 20

Number successfully registered by this project this week 20

Number denied registration in this project this week None

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means Unknown

a. Specify means Church; handbills; telephone calls;

Number refusing to participate 30

a. Reason for refusing to participate Some will register later; others not interested;

Number of person successfully registered since the start 33

Number of workers in the campaign 1

Remarks

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

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Period covered by this report: From May 8 to May 13 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. John W. Moragne

542 Washington Avenue Street Address City Johnson City County Washington State Tennessee

Date submitted: June 15, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Washington County

Ward, Beat, Etc. Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 75

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 26

Number successfully registered by this project this week 26

Number denied registration in this project this week None

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of person successfully registered since the start

Number of workers in the campaign 59

Remarks 10

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

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Period covered by this report: From May 29 to June 16 19 64

Person reporting Miss Alma Harper

311 Greenwood Street — Street Address
Union City — City
Obion — County
Tennessee — State

Date submitted: June 16, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Obion County

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 80

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places — a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 30

Number successfully registered by this project this week 30

Number denied registration in this project this week None

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate 1

a. Reason for refusing to participate Fear;

Number of person successfully registered since the start 37

Number of workers in the campaign 3

Remarks

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Period covered by this report: From June 15 to June 19 19 64

Person reporting Miss Alma A. Harper

311 Greenwood — Union City — Obion — Tennessee

Street Address — City — County — State

Date submitted: June 19, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Obion County

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 52

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places — a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 19

Number successfully registered by this project this week 19

Number denied registration in this project this week None

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate 6

a. Reason for refusing to participate Apathy:

Number of person successfully registered since the start 56

Number of workers in the campaign 4

Remarks

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Period covered by this report: From June 12 to June 18 19 64

Person reporting Mr. William W. Kyles

201 S. Blake Street | Lake Charles | Calcasieu | Louisiana

Street Address | City | County | State

Date submitted: June 19, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Calcasieu Parish

Ward, Beat, Etc. | Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 1,680

Number instructed at home 790

Number instructed at clinics 51

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 210

Number successfully registered by this project this week 154

Number denied registration in this project this week 56

a. Reason for denial Failed test;

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate 9

a. Reason for refusing to participate Against religious beliefs;

Number of person successfully registered since the start 627

Number of workers in the campaign 98

Remarks

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Period covered by this report: From June 15 to June 20 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. Ovella Ross

1509 Bose Street | Dyersburg | Dyer | Tennessee

Street Address | City | County | State

Date submitted: June 20, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Dyer County

Ward, Beat, Etc. | Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 75

Number instructed at home 44

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 34

Number successfully registered by this project this week 34

Number denied registration in this project this week None

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means 41

a. Specify means Telephone calls;

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of person successfully registered since the start 67

Number of workers in the campaign 3

Remarks

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Period covered by this report: From June 15 to June 20 19 64

Person reporting Mr. Marvin Cousin, Jr.

601 East Ninth Street — Street Address
Chattanooga — City
Hamilton — County
Tennessee — State

Date submitted: June 22, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Hamilton County

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 276

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places — a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 110

Number successfully registered by this project this week 110

Number denied registration in this project this week None

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means 209

a. Specify means Telephone calls;

Number refusing to participate 21

a. Reason for refusing to participate Against religious beliefs; don't believe it will do any good to vote; "Just don't vote";

Number of person successfully registered since the start 110

Number of workers in the campaign 55

Remarks Registration will not be conducted at the ward level during this campaign because according to the Registrar, the books cannot be removed from the Election Commission Office forty-five days prior to an election. The next election is on August 6th. However, he has consented to keep the office open between the hours of 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. on Friday, June 26th and until noon on Saturday, June 27th.

Reports must be sent weekly.

Note: Attach narrative report to this.

NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Period covered by this report: From June 15 to June 19 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. Rachel Ann Freeman

East College Court, #8 | Union City | Obion | Tennessee

Street Address | City | County | State

Date submitted: June 22, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Obion County

Ward, Beat, Etc. | Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 66

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 17

Number successfully registered by this project this week 17

Number denied registration in this project this week None

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate 7

a. Reason for refusing to participate "Too old"; "Not interested";

Number of person successfully registered since the start 48

Number of workers in the campaign 10

Remarks

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Period covered by this report: From June 15 to June 20 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. John W. Moragne

542 Washington Avenue — Street Address
Johnson City — City
Washington — County
Tennessee — State

Date submitted: June 23, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Washington County

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 74

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 10

Number successfully registered by this project this week 10

Number denied registration in this project this week None

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of person successfully registered since the start 69

Number of workers in the campaign 10

Remarks

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Period covered by this report: From June 22 to June 26 19 64

Person reporting Mr. Thomas C. Mason

Rhute 1, Box 229 | Mason | Tipton | Tennessee

Street Address | City | County | State

Date submitted: June 27, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Tipton County

Ward, Beat, Etc. | Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 100

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 62

Number successfully registered by this project this week 62

Number denied registration in this project this week

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means Unknown

a. Specify means Telephone calls and letters;

Number refusing to participate None

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of person successfully registered since the start 231

Number of workers in the campaign 4

Remarks

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Period covered by this report: From June 22 to June 26 1964

Person reporting Miss Alma A. Harper

311 Greenwood — Union City — Obion — Tennessee

Street Address — City — County — State

Date submitted: June 27, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Obion County

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 40

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places — a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 17

Number successfully registered by this project this week 17

Number denied registration in this project this week None

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means Unknown

a. Specify means Letters and telephone calls;

Number refusing to participate None

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of person successfully registered since the start 57

Number of workers in the campaign 3

Remarks

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Period covered by this report: From June 22 to June 27 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. Ovelle Ross

1509 Rose Street — Dyersburg — Dyer — Tennessee

Street Address — City — County — State

Date submitted: June 28, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Dyer County

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 50

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places — a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 23

Number successfully registered by this project this week 23

Number denied registration in this project this week None

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate 30

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of person successfully registered since the start 93

Number of workers in the campaign 3

Remarks

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For amount of money requested for these projects the results are disappointing

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

JUL 6 1964

Period covered by this report: From June 22 to June 26 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. Rachel Ann Freeman

East College Court, Apt. 8 — Union City — Obion — Tennessee

Street Address — City — County — State

Date submitted: June 29, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Obion County

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 50

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places — a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 15

Number successfully registered by this project this week 15

Number denied registration in this project this week None

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate 6

a. Reason for refusing to participate "Not interested"; "Too old"; "Sick;"

Number of person successfully registered since the start 63

Number of workers in the campaign 4

Remarks

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Period covered by this report: From June 22 to June 27 19 64

Person reporting Mr. Marvin L. Cousin

601 East Ninth Street (Street Address) Chattanooga (City) Hamilton (County) Tennessee (State)

Date submitted: June 29, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Hamilton County

Ward, Beat, Etc. Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 456

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 200

Number successfully registered by this project this week 200

Number denied registration in this project this week None

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means 180

a. Specify means Telephone calls and letters;

Number refusing to participate 30

a. Reason for refusing to participate "Against religious beliefs"; "Just don't vote;

Number of person successfully registered since the start 310

Number of workers in the campaign 60

Remarks The Election Commission Office remained open Friday evening until 6:00 p.m. for the convenience of working people and Saturday morning until noon. The results were fair.

Block captains are at work, and with the addition of five more captains, we expect rewarding results as the campaigns nears a close.

Reports must be sent weekly. Note: Attach narrative report to this.

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NARRATIVE REPORT

JUN 29 1964

By: Mr. Marvin L. Cousin
Director
Registration Campaign
Chattanooga, Tennessee

Monday, June 8th, a meeting was held with twenty-four (24) Registration Campaign workers present. Canvassers were instructed in the proper manner of canvassing and were issued canvass sheets, along with petitions to be signed by the necessary number of registered voters to bring the books to the 12th and 7th Wards.

Our goal is to qualify 3,000 voters during the period, June 17 - July 7th. Spot announcements have been made on Radio Station WNOO as a public feature and an effort is being made to get one of the television stations to donate a spot around 7:00 p.m.; (The Amos and Andy show is on in this area at that hour).

Placards, signs and handbills are being distributed by high school students under adult supervision.

Sunday, June 21st has been designated as Citizenship Sunday. As of this date, six (6) high school students will make three minute speeches at their churches and others.

On Monday, June 15th, I am to address the Interdenominational Minister's Alliance and the Baptist Minister's Alliance on Tuesday, June 16th concerning the registration drive. This will be followed by a letter to all ministers.

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

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Period covered by this report: From June 29 to July 3 1964

Person reporting Mr. Thomas L. Mason

Route 1, Box 229 | Mason | Tipton | Tennessee

Street Address | City | County | State

Date submitted: July 3, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Tipton County

Ward, Beat, Etc. | Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 178

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week

Number successfully registered by this project this week 64

Number denied registration in this project this week 64

a. Reason for denial None

Number contacted by other means Unk.

a. Specify means Calls and letters;

Number refusing to participate None

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of person successfully registered since the start 295

Number of workers in the campaign 4

Remarks

Reports must be sent weekly. Note: Attach narrative report to this. 4 22

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Period covered by this report: From June 26 to July 4 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. Mary McCauley

604 Roberts Dyersburg Dyer Tennessee

Street Address City County State

Date submitted: July 5, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Dyer County

Ward, Beat, Etc. Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 70

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 40

Number successfully registered by this project this week 40

Number denied registration in this project this week None

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means 20

a. Specify means Telephone calls;

Number refusing to participate 10

a. Reason for refusing to participate "will go later"; apathy;

Number of person successfully registered since the start 133

Number of workers in the campaign 2

Remarks

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JUL 17 1964

NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Period covered by this report: From June 1, 1964 to July 6, 1964

Person reporting Hugh T. Love

234 Hernando Street, Memphis, Shelby/Tennessee

Street Address City County State

Date submitted: July 6, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Shelby County

Ward, Beat, Etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 2,965

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week ~~670~~ 670

Number successfully registratered by this project this week

Number denied registration in this project this week

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means Unknown

a. Specify means Radio Spot Announcements- Churches - Clubs

Number refusing to participate 0

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start

Number of workers in the campaign

Remarks This is not the complete number of persons registered for this period. The workers reports were not accurate. We are waiting to get a report from the registrar's office before we compile our final report.

Reports must be sent weekly. Note: Attach narrative report to this.

Rec'd 6/15/64

SPECIAL REPORT
POLITICAL ACTION

By: Hugh T. Love
Date: June, 1964

TENNESSEE

Union City: Union City, Obion County, Tennessee is a town in northwest Tennessee about eight miles from the Kentucky border. Union City has a population of about 8,800 people of which approximately 2,500 are Negroes. It is the county seat of Obion County and is located near Reelfoot Lake. Union City is a farm trading center and the principle town in the lake region. It is supply station for tourists who visit Reelfoot Lake and the Mississippi River region. The chief manufacturing products are dairy products, clothing and canned goods. Reelfoot Packing Company is also in Union City.

The greater percentage of Negroes in the area are farmers. Few Negroes work in plants and those that do, hold only semi-skilled and janitorial positions. Public employment opportunities for Negroes are bad. There are two or three Negro policemen and a host of sanitation workers. No elective positions are held by Negroes although one or two attempts have been made. These attempts seemingly had very little effect upon Negroes of Union City.

There is still the lack of unified strength at the ballot box on the part of Union City Negroes. In the coming election, a Negro woman has decided to run for a position on the School Board. No appointive positions are presently held by Negroes.

Negroes of Union City seem to lack the spirit that goes with making a good community. Cooperation among the people is poor. Leadership in the town has seemingly lost its glow somewhere along the way. No one seems really concerned over the matter of equal opportunity. Only a few militant persons are seemingly determined to fight until victory is won.

Negro housing conditions are fair. Most of the houses are second rate frame buildings which are nicely kept. There is one government housing project in the town which is neat in appearance.

Voter registration in Union City got off to a slow start and is seemingly still moving slow. This may be attributed to lack of cooperation on the part of Negroes of Union City.

Miss Alma Harper is directing the county program and Mrs. Rachel Freeman is directing the city program. The fields of unregistered Negroes are green, but the workers are few. Despite the fact that there are only a few workers, Miss Harper and Mrs. Freeman, I feel, are doing a good job.

Memphis: Memphis, Shelby County, Tennessee is located in the southwestern part of the state. It has a population of 701,000 of which 151,000 are Negroes. Memphis is the largest city in the State of Tennessee and the most important commercial center and distributing point between New Orleans and St. Louis. The city is situated at the head of deep water navigation on the Mississippi River. Memphis is the world's largest inland cotton market and producer of cottonseed products and one of the nation's biggest

hardwood lumber markets. It is also the south's largest producers of mixed feeds and an important distribution point for steel products, drugs and chemicals. In addition to the previously named products, the city of Memphis has several plants making automobile tires, furniture, food products, medicines, toilet goods and cosmetics; several manufacturing plants manufacturing bags and bagging and also mattresses.

Employment conditions for Negroes in Memphis are fair. In the past two or three years, Negroes in Memphis have moved into the higher echelon of employment. In many factories, Negroes have been hired in clerical and supervisory capacities. Public employment has also made advances toward equality which are somewhat token, as usual. There are a good number of Negroes working in clerical positions under the city's Civil Service Board. No Negroes in Memphis hold elective positions although many unsuccessful attempts have been made. These attempts have had a decided effect upon the Negro community. In the last election Negro Attorney Ben Hooks lost an election for a judgeship position by only 700 votes. This told the Negro community that there should be more emphasis placed upon registering and voting.

This year, it has been rumored, that Negro Attorney Russell Sugarmon will be a candidate for the State Legislature. This has not been confirmed but has had its effect upon both the Negro and the white communities.

There are ten or eleven Negroes in appointive positions, the majority of whom are very quiet, having very little to say on matters of importance.

Soft drink bottling companies, beer distributors and bakeries have hired Negro route salesmen. Many of the downtown stores have hired Negro clerks.

The majority of the hotels, motels and restaurants are desegregated. All public facilities have been desegregated. The desegregation of public facilities went well until the swimming pools were brought up, the officials then decided that rather than let Negroes and whites swim together, they would close all city pools. The pools have been closed for almost two seasons.

The public school system is another problem of grave importance now confronting Negroes of Memphis. The board is made up of a group of staunch segregationists. As of now, it has been decided that in September, the first six grades of the schools will be desegregated.

There are a number of institutions of higher learning in Memphis. Memphis State University and Southwestern University, the two major schools of the city, are desegregated. Lemoyne College and S.A. Owen Junior College are two of the larger Negro colleges of the city.

Negro housing in Memphis is good. Negroes live in almost every section of the city. Many well-kept sub-divisions have come into being, in the last seven or eight years. There are six or seven housing projects, all of which are neat in appearance.

Voter registration in Memphis got off to a very slow start due to the complacency and laxity of Negro leadership throughout the city. However, the campaign is picking up and shows great promise. The directress, Mrs. Peter Crawford got sick the first week of the campaign and had to resign her position. The campaign is now under the direction of the staff of Mr. W. C. Patton.

Despite the fact that they have other duties to perform, they have given themselves to the promotion of the campaign. To this point, if I may say, they have done a wonderful job.

NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

8/22/64

Period covered by this report: From June 1 to July 6 19 64

Person reporting Hugh T. Love

234 Hernando Street | Memphis | Shelby | Tennessee
Street Address | City | County | State

Date submitted: July 6, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Shelby County

Ward, Beat, Etc. | Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 2,965

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 670

Number successfully registered by this project this week 670

Number denied registration in this project this week

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means Unknown

a. Specify means Radio Spot announcements - Churches; Clubs;

Number refusing to participate None

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start

Number of workers in this campaign

Remarks This is not the complete number of persons registered for this period. The workers reports were not accurate. We are waiting to get a report from the Registrar's Office before we compile our final report.

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Rec'd 7-17

Period covered by this report: From June 29 to July 3 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. Rachel Ann Freeman

East College Court, Apt. 8 — Union City — Obion — Tennessee

Street Address — City — County — State

Date submitted: July 6, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Obion County

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 50

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places — a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 13

Number successfully registered by this project this week 13

Number denied registration in this project this week

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means Unknown

a. Specify means Telephone calls and letters;

Number refusing to participate 6

a. Reason for refusing to participate "Did not think it was right"; ignorant;" "Too busy";

Number of person successfully registered since the start 76

Number of workers in the campaign 6

Remarks

Reports must be sent weekly. Note: Attach narrative report to this.

NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Rec'd 7-17

Period covered by this report: From June 29 to July 4 19 64

Person reporting Mr. Marvin L. Cousin, Jr.

601 East Ninth Street — Street Address
Chattanooga — City
Hamilton — County
Tennessee — State

Date submitted: July 7, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Hamilton County

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 900

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 402

Number successfully registered by this project this week 400

Number denied registration in this project this week 2

a. Reason for denial Two persons had criminal records;

Number contacted by other means 196

a. Specify means Telephone calls and letters;

Number refusing to participate 25

a. Reason for refusing to participate Apathy and against religious beliefs;

Number of person successfully registered since the start 710

Number of workers in the campaign 60

Remarks

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Rec'd VEP 7/22/64

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Period covered by this report: From June 1 to July 4 19 64

Person reporting Rev. J. R. Halliburton

115 Nelson Street — Ripley — Lauderdale — Tennessee

Street Address — City — County — State

Date submitted: July 7, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Lauderdale County

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass: 278

Number instructed at home:

Number instructed at clinics:

Number instructed other places: a. Specify places:

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week: 166

Number successfully registered by this project this week: 166

Number denied registration in this project this week: None

a. Reason for denial:

Number contacted by other means:

a. Specify means:

Number refusing to participate: None

a. Reason for refusing to participate:

Number of person successfully registered since the start: 166

Number of workers in the campaign: 2

Remarks:

Reports must be sent weekly. Note: Attach narrative report to this.

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Rec'd 7-17

Period covered by this report: From July 6 to July 7 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. Mary McCauley

604 Roberts — Street Address
Dyersburg — City
Dyer — County
Tennessee — State

Date submitted: July 8, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Dyer County

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass: 60

Number instructed at home: 40

Number instructed at clinics:

Number instructed other places: a. Specify places:

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week: 38

Number successfully registered by this project this week: 38

Number denied registration in this project this week: None

a. Reason for denial:

Number contacted by other means: Unknown

a. Specify means: Meetings;

Number refusing to participate: None

a. Reason for refusing to participate:

Number of person successfully registered since the start: 171

Number of workers in the campaign: 2

Remarks:

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Rec'd 7-17

Period covered by this report: From July 6 to July 7 19 64.

Person reporting Mr. Marvin L. Cousin, Jr.

601 East Ninth Street — Street Address
Chattanooga — City
Hamilton — County
Tennessee — State

Date submitted: July 8, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Hamilton County

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 1,000

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places — a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 700

Number successfully registered by this project this week 700

Number denied registration in this project this week None

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means 100

a. Specify means Telephone calls;

Number refusing to participate 15

a. Reason for refusing to participate Against religious beliefs; indifference;

Number of person successfully registered since the start 1,410

Number of workers in the campaign 60

Remarks

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Rec'd 7-17

Period covered by this report: From June 30 to July 3 19 64

Person reporting Miss Alma A. Harper

311 Greenwood — Union City — Obion — Tennessee
Street Address — City — County — State

Date submitted: July 9, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Obion County
Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places — a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week

Number successfully registered by this project this week 2

Number denied registration in this project this week 2

a. Reason for denial None

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of person successfully registered since the start

Number of workers in the campaign

Remarks 3

Reports must be sent weekly. Note: Attach narrative report to this.

Answered

July 10, 1964

Mr. W. C. Patton
234 Hernando Street
Memphis, Tennessee

RE: VEP 4-22

Dear Mr. Patton:

We understand the books are now closed throughout the state of Tennessee. We are concerned that we received no reports from Fayette, Haywood, Hardeman, and Lauderdale counties. We would appreciate information on the status of your campaigns in those communities. We note also that no report has been submitted on the Memphis program since May 30. In a press release from the Memphis Press-Scimitar July 7, 1964, we noted a suit being filed in Fayette County under the provisions of the new Civil Rights Bill. We would be interested in knowing if any of the individuals involved were active in the registration campaign which you conducted there.

July 1-July 10 Due July 17

We received your memo on the beginning dates for the Florida campaigns with the exceptionoof Pensacola. We would appreciate your letting us know the termination dates of these programs.

Will the programs in the four cities in Georgia terminate on July 20, or will they run through the September 14 deadline for the General Election?

In addition to all of the above information, we would appreciate having the names and addresses, as quickly as possible, of all the campaign directors in all of the communities discussed above. Your prompt attention to these requests will be appreciated.

Last, but not least, we would like to know if your program in Lake Charles will be continued when the books reopen in Louisiana.

No answer

We will look forward to hearing from you.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Barbara I. Whitaker
Research Assistant

BIW:js

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Rec'd 7/17

Period covered by this report: From June 23 to July 7 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. John W. Morsons

542 Washington Ave. Johnson City Washington Tennessee

Street Address City County State

Date submitted: July 13, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Washington County

Ward, Beat, Etc. Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 106

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 27

Number successfully registered by this project this week 27

Number denied registration in this project this week None

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means Unk.

a. Specify means Telephone calls and letters;

Number refusing to participate None

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of person successfully registered since the start 93

Number of workers in the campaign 10

Remarks

Reports must be sent weekly. Note: Attach narrative report to this.

Memo from . . .

w. c. patton

August 24, 1964

To: Mr. Wiley Branton

Attached please find a budget for Ripley, Johnson City and Tipton County Tennessee.

I beleive some meaningful results can be secured at each place.

Your immediate reaction will be appreciated.

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VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT (NAACP)

PROPOSED BUDGET

Period 5 weeks

Place: Tennessee Date: August 23, 1964

	Ripley	Johnson City	Tipton County	
Salaries - Professional	200	250	250	
Clerical	100	100	100	
Travel	50	50	50	
Transportation	100	100	100	
Office Rent				
Tele. & Tele.				
Publicity & Promotion	125	125	100	
Office Supplies	35	35	35	
Printing Supplies	75	80	80	
Furniture & Fixtures				
General (Lump Sums)	75	75	75	
Postage	25	15	25	
Total	685	730	815	

Submitted by H. C. Patton

WB

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE

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Please direct reply to:

W. C. Patton, Associate Director
Registration & Voting
234 Hernando Street
Memphis 5, Tennessee
525-6057
527-8264

AUG 19 1964

August 18, 1964

Mr. Wiley Branton
5 Forsyth Street N. W.
Fifth Floor
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Sir:

The fact that the white Republicans have opened a gigantic Registration Campaign for the sole purpose of offsetting what they say to be the Negro bloc vote in the November election, I would like to see us step up the tempo of our campaigns to begin now and end October 3.

To do the job that I would like to see us do on a full scale, we will need additional funds.

I have enclosed a proposed budget and would like to say that we can use the full amount if we can get it. If we can't get it, we will use what we can get to the best advantage.

I am also enclosing a budget for Lake City, Florida. This campaign should get underway August 24.

We have re-activated our campaigns in Memphis, Chattanooga, Johnson City and Knoxville, Tennessee, and we will move as quickly as we can in Jackson.

Your early decision and action will be appreciated.

With best wishes, I remain,

Yours truly,

W. C. Patton

W. C. Patton

WCP/evt
Encl.

P. S.-----Incidentally, by request, we are supplying your campaign workers in Arkansas with material, much of which was made locally, including bumper stickers. W.C.P.

VEP 4-22

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VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT (NAACP)

PROPOSED BUDGET

Period 5 weeks

Place: Tennessee Date: August 18, 1964

	Memphis	Jackson	Chattanooga	Knoxville
Salaries - Professional	$ 240	$ 240	$240	$ 240
Clerical	150	150	150	150
Travel	40	40	40	40
Transportation	300	200	300	200
Office Rent		75	50	75
Tele. & Tele	100	100	100	100
Publicity & Promotion	200	100	125	100
Office Supplies	100	50	50	50
Printing Supplies	150	100	100	100
Furniture & Fixtures				50
General (Lump Sums)	100	100	100	100
Postage	100	50	75	50
Total	$ 1,480	$1,205	1,330	1255

Submitted by A. C. Patton

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NAA[illegible] VOTER EDUCATION PROJE[illegible]

8/31/64 Rec'd

Period covered by this report: From April 25 to August 5 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. Ruth Griffin

1928 Bethel — Knoxville — Knox — Tennessee
Street Address — City — County — State

Date submitted: August 25, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Knox County
Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 100

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 83

Number successfully registered by this project this week 83

Number denied registration in this project this week None

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means Unk

a. Specify means Telephone calls and letters;

Number refusing to participate None

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 83

Number of workers in this campaign

Remarks

Reports must be sent weekly. Note: Attach narrative report to this.

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Period covered by this report: From August 17, 1964 to Aug. 22, 19 64

Person reporting Marvin L. Cousin, Jr.

601 East 9th Street — Chattanooga, — Hamilton — Tennessee

Street Address — City — County — State

Date submitted: August 26, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 500

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics 3

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 104

Number successfully registered by this project this week 100

Number denied registration in this project this week 4

a. Reason for denial Criminal records

Number contacted by other means 185

a. Specify means Canvassing and telephoning

Number refusing to participate 20

a. Reason for refusing to participate Indifference and excuses - lacking time, etc.

Number of persons successfully registered since the start

Number of workers in this campaign

Remarks Many persons contacted asked that the books be brought to the communities. Petitions are being circulated and will be filed next week for supplemental registration in five communities during September.

Reports must be sent weekly. Note: Attach narrative report to this.

August 26, 1964

Mr. W. C. Patton
234 Hernando Street
Memphis 5, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Patton:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of August 18 in which you enclosed a budget for re-activated programs in Memphis, Jackson, Chattanooga, and Knoxville. We agree that these programs should run from now through the October 3 registration deadline, but we have not yet agreed on the amount of the grant.

On May 14, 1964, we made a grant to NAACP in the amount of $7,640 for registration programs in ten Tennessee cities. Our records show that no programs were conducted at all in Haywood or Fayette County or Bolivar. Our financial records indicate that you have accounted to us for Tennessee expenditures since May 2, 1964, in the total amount of $4,485.33 of which $2,397.40 was spent in the Memphis administrative office, and $2,087.93 was spent on actual registration programs in Tennessee.

Because of the fact that there was such an extensive student project in Haywood and Fayette Counties during the summer, it does not seem appropriate to run programs in those counties now unless you are assured that the expense will be justified. This means that you still have more than $3,000 of unspent Tennessee grant money which could be applied toward your present requests. Will you please review your Tennessee programs at once and give us the benefit of some reconsider-

ation on your part by taking into consideration the unspent funds remaining in your VEP account for Tennessee.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:bs

cc: Dr. John Morsell

NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

SEP 14 1964

Period covered by this report: From August 24 to 29 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. Doris Lundy

211 Trinity Pl. Decatur Georgia

Street Address City County State

Date submitted: August 30, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

KeKalb County

Ward, Beat, Etc. Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 250

Number instructed at home 35

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places 450 a. Specify places Thankful Baptist Church

Lilly Hill Baptist Church

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week ~~208~~ 224

Number successfully registered by this project this week 208

Number denied registration in this project this week 14

a. Reason for denial could not read, residence not established

Number contacted by other means 76

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate 48

a. Reason for refusing to participate not interested

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 1150

Number of workers in this campaign 4

Remarks The registration campaign is doing better.

Reports must be sent weekly. Note: Attach narrative report to this.

Sep 4-29

NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Period covered by this report: From August 24 to August 29, 19 64

Person reporting Marvin L. Cousin

601 E. 9th Street — Street Address
Chattanooga — City
Hamilton — County
Tennessee — State

Date submitted: August 31, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 556

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics 3

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 205

Number successfully registered by this project this week

Number denied registration in this project this week

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means 230

a. Specify means Canvassing and telephoning

Number refusing to participate 10

a. Reason for refusing to participate Indifference and excuse of time

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 205

Number of workers in this campaign

Remarks Our campaign is progressing rapidly, and our petitions for supplementary registration has been scheduled for Oct. 1-17. Transportation is being taken care of at this time by other sources and volunteers.

Reports must be sent weekly.

Note: Attach narrative report to this.

NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Received 9/8/64 Recorded

Period covered by this report: From August 24, to August 29, 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. Mattie Donnell

161 Pine — Street Address; Jackson — City; Madison — County; Tenn. — State

Date submitted: August 31, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Ward, Beat, Etc. Precinct, Election District, Etc. 109

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 28

Number successfully registered by this project this week 28

Number denied registration in this project this week

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 28

Number of workers in this campaign 36

Remarks Mr. Patton: This is small to you I know but this is the first week. We have our workers now ready to hit the ball and the reports will be better each week. The youth group of the NAACP is helping us to get the job done. We will come through alright as always.

Reports must be sent weekly. Note: Attach narrative report to this.

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Period covered by this report: From August 24 to August 31, 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. Ruth Griffin

1928 E. Bethel Avenue — Street Address
Knoxville — City
Knox — County
Tennessee — State

Date submitted: September 2, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Knoxville and Knox County

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass

Number instructed at home 15

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week

Number successfully registered by this project this week

Number denied registration in this project this week

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means 25

a. Specify means phone calls and memos to ward workers

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start

Number of workers in this campaign 15

Remarks We had one organizational meeting and made calls and sent memos to persons to organize wards and handle publicity.

Reports must be sent weekly.

Note: Attach narrative report to this.

NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Period covered by this report: From August 23 to Sept. 1, 19 64

Person reporting Mildred H. Hay

P. O. Box 242 (Street Address) Brownsville (City) Haywood (County) Tennessee (State)

Date submitted: Sept. 2, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Ward, Beat, Etc. Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 175

Number instructed at home 75

Number instructed at clinics 250

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 21

Number successfully registered by this project this week 21

Number denied registration in this project this week

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 21

Number of workers in this campaign 20

Remarks

Reports must be sent weekly. Note: Attach narrative report to this.

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

SEP 8 1964

JMV WB — Reported

Period covered by this report: From August 6, to Aug. 31, 19 64

Person reporting W. C. Patton

234 Hernando Street, Memphis Shelby Tenn.

Street Address City County State

Date submitted: Sept. 3, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Memphis & Shelby County

Ward, Beat, Etc. Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 35,000

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this ~~week~~ Period 1463

Number successfully registered by this project this week 1463

Number denied registration in this project this week 0

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start

Number of workers in this campaign 300

Remarks We have something like 300 persons working in the campaign

We will have supplemental registration through Sept. 18.

It is really thrilling to see our workers near the registration places taking the people in to register.

Our goal is ten thousand additional voters by Oct. 5

Reports must be sent weekly. Note: Attach narrative report to this.

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Period covered by this report: From August 31, 1964 to Sept. 4 19 64

Person reporting Frank R. Kilpatrick

254 Hernando — Memphis — Shelby — Tennessee
Street Address — City — County — State

Date submitted:

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Shelby County, Tenn.

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 424

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 594

Number successfully registered by this project this week

Number denied registration in this project this week

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 594

Number of workers in this campaign 150 Youths, 150 Adults

Remarks Youths are canvassing in neighborhoods by groups, depending on on the size of the Ward and Negro population. They also consentrate in areas where Supplemental Registration is being conducted. The adults are consentrating in the Wards and Precincts of which they live--knocking on doors and passing out materials.

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Period covered by this report: From Sept. 1 to Sept. 4, 19 64

Person reporting Marvin L. Cousin, Jr.

601 E. 9th St. Chattanooga Hamilton Tennessee
Street Address City County State

Date submitted: Sept. 4, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Ward, Beat, Etc. Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 500

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics 3

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 157

Number successfully registered by this project this week 157

Number denied registration in this project this week 0

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means 225

a. Specify means Mailing letters, canvassing, and telephoning

Number refusing to participate 5

a. Reason for refusing to participate Indifference and excuses of time

Number of persons successfully registered since the start

Number of workers in this campaign

Remarks Our campaign is still progressing steadily. We are still sending out petitions for supplementary registration, which will be scheduled between October 1-17, 1964

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Period covered by this report: From August 31, to Sept. 5, 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. Mattie Donnell

161 Pine St. — Street Address; Jackson — City; Madison — County; Tennessee — State

Date submitted: Sept. 7, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Madison

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 227

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 146

Number successfully registered by this project this week 146

Number denied registration in this project this week

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 174

Number of workers in this campaign 30

Remarks As we take these persons to register, or if they go on their own, we show them how to fold their ballot. This is proving to be very helpful.

Reports must be sent weekly. Note: Attach narrative report to this.

September 8, 1964

MEMORANDUM

To: Wiley A. Branton

From: Joe L. Tucker

Re: Field Trips to Little Rock, Arkansas, Chattanooga, Tennessee, and Nashville, Tennessee

INTRODUCTION

Friday, August 28, WAB called me in conference concerning four or five days of organizational work with Ozell Sutton in Little, Rock, Arkansas, helping him to get some "crash" voter registration programs going. It was decided that I would leave Atlanta by plane early Monday morning stopping in Chattanooga to see Marvin Cousin, talk to him about the voter registration project there, get a clear picture of its organizational methods, and registration drive techniques.

- Leave Chattanooga, stop in Nashville, see Attorney Avon Williams and Mrs. Ella Boyd - see how their project is doing, and offer my services if needed in a problem-solving way.

- Leave Nashville and go into Little Rock, Arkansas, to help Ozell Sutton of the Arkansas Voter Project do organizational work in setting up voter registration programs in the southern area of Arkansas and points north of Little Rock.

CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE - TENNESSEE VOTER COUNCIL: Marvin L. Cousin, insurance agent, family man. Two full time office workers. Hard to get volunteer workers, most people in this town said Cousin expects to be paid, nobody but a few people work as volunteers. The TVC plans to get radio time on the Negro station during the last week in September to urge people to register. The TVC isn't going from door-to-door. This has been done in the past with little results. Hand bills, bumper stickers, etc., have been more effective. A lot of canvassing is done by phone using information and phone numbers gathered from past door-to-door registration campaigns. These numbers are called by the canvassers and these people are urged to get out and vote on election day.

The office is a walk-in, on the corner. The area is on the fringe of the Negro business district. Cousin expresses a wish that the office could be closer down town.

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They have a motor pool of three cars on stand-by that are used when necessary to transport persons wishing to register to the courthouse.

I visited the courthouse and witnessed the registration of two Negroes and a change of address of a third. The present registrar has been in office about a month. The whereabouts of the other registrar was unknown by Cousin. While in the office, Cousin talked to the registrar and was received courteously. The assistant registrars, or clerks, were very nice, and courteous in handling applicants for registration. The voting requirements are quite simple: Age 21, be able to write your name, answer whether you have been convicted of a felony, have lived in Tennessee one (1) year, and 90 days in this particular county (Hamilton). Also, if a person becomes 21 years of age before an election, he may register to vote before the books close.

Cousin said they had about 50 people a week coming into the registration office a week seeking information on how to register. Cousin said W. C. Patton had money for possibly one more month's rent, and maybe the telephone bill.

The law states that the registrar take the books out into the county ten times a year. Cousin and his workers have circulated petitions to get the registration books in some thickly populated Negro housing areas. They are awaiting a decision which will be made around the 15th of September.

Cousin sometimes solicits the help of his fellow insurance agents in putting out auto bumper stickers and encouraging unregistered persons on their debits to register and vote.

I sat in on plans for an "Intra-Church" campaign with Cousin and Robinson. The plans states for the minister to poll his church and urge the congregation to register and vote. Each voter will get his name on a voter registration honor roll that will be placed in the lobby of each church.

Cousin said they registered about 1,350 people during the June-July drive. They have workers at the courthouse to meet and record the names of people who come in on their own to register.

I met Mr. C. B. Robinson, President of TVC, who is employed as a school principal. He voiced the same feeling as did Cousin about the TVC. Funds are at a minumum, but the TVC received about $700 from COPE. Mr. Robinson has been active in Labor for 20 years.

The whole staff of TVC put out a great registration effort for the primary election August 6, 1964. Right now, they are gathering strength and momentum for a final run of non-registered people to the courthouse by October

3 for the federal election. Mrs. Cato is chairman of the Publicity Committee for TVC. She can be reached at the TVC headquarters. Robinson said the people in Chattanooga were very complacent about voting and participating in voter registration unless they are paid. Robinson said this was mainly due to politicians buying votes and paying people to work in their individual campaigns. The people feel that the TVC should do the same thing, if not, some won't even work or participate in the program.

NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE: (Avon Williams, contact) - Avon Williams was busy, but gave me an audience for enough time to discuss the voter registration project. The other contact, Mrs. Ella Boyd, was out of town.

They have two paid workers, a secretary , and a worker at the courthouse who both receive $37.50 per week. The worker at the courthouse is stationed outside the registrar's office that is so situated in the courthouse where many people both Negro and white, pass its doors daily. This worker stops as many Negroes as possible and takes them a few steps into the office to be registered. Williams states that this has brought very good results. He feels that better results have come from this effort rather than the door-to-door canvass type registration drive. This idea was put into practice due to a lack of sufficient funds and volunteer personnel to promote registration in the area.

Williams showed me a compilation of voting data and figures of which he will send VEP copies. Williams said they were just about to the end of their budget and he is thinking about submitting a request for supplemental funds.

He asked me to send him some VEP forms - progress, and financial voucher forms. (Done by phone from Little Rock 9/2/64. - Note: forms sent same day of request. js)

Williams feels that there is prevalent among the people, a condition of antipathy that prevents them from becoming registered and casting a vote. I ended my discussion with Williams by suggesting ways of getting more people registered and increasing his volunteer work force.

LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS - ARKANSAS VOTER PROJECT (Ozell Sutton, Director):

Tuesday: Arrived in Little Rock, was met by Ozell Sutton, and he introduced me to his staff of one paid worker - his secretary, and a volunteer worker. He took me to the Arkansas Council on Human Relations, and I renewd my acquaintance with Nat Griswold. Sutton gave me an introductory talk as to what the AVP is doing, what it has done, and what its plans are to do by October 3, 1964. I reviewed some of the literature put

out by AVP, then plunged into the voter registration work that was to be done. The main function of AVP is to furnish impetus for people to pay their poll tax which is all there is necessary to vote in Arkansas. This impetus is furnished under the direction of Ozell Sutton by putting poll tax blanks in anyone's hand who will go out and solicit people to pay their poll tax. Booths are set up at some of the larger grocery stores with a large Negro customer ratioo barber shops, beauty shops, to solicit people to pay poll tax. Mr. Sutton has to do a lot of running around to collect this money from people who sold the poll taxes, and to get others organized. In between these errands, Sutton is constantly asking or reminding people to pay their poll tax. I went on the afternoon run to check the booths, collect money, put out more circulars and billboards (see attached examples), and replenish poll tax blanks to the various people working. Ozell Sutton is busy in other area organizing and setting up meetings to increase voter registration.

Wednesday: I met a Mr. M. J. Caruth, Box 2372, of Little Rock, who stated that WAB promised to send him a copy of the film, "Right Now!" I did some office work making up packets of placards and handbills to be distributed by a volunteer to different business establishments. I accompanied a volunteer on a voter registration distribution run to deliver said packets. We delivered poll tax blanks, posters, and handbills to vari us business establishments in Little Rock. I helped Ozell Sutton complete plans for the organization of projects in Hope and Texarkana, Arkansas. We left Little Rock early in the morning to make the trip into the previously stated towns. I went to deliver some volunteers at two shopping centers where they will be soliciting poll taxes this afternoon. We visited areas which had the most thickly populated Negro areas in this part of Arkansas. The AVP's programs consist of four divisions 1) churches, 2) PTA, 3) booths, 4) Poll tax marches. Another technique is drop-stations. That is, they leave a poll tax book in any establishment that will promote the "Pay Your Poll Tax-Vote" program.

Thursday: We left Little Rock early and went to Hope, Arkansas. We met with seven leaders of the community in Hope, Arkansas, and got the program organized and explained to the leaders what was expected of them, what financial heop the AVP could give them, and discussed ways in which to stimulate the purchasing of poll taxes in this general area. The seven people at the meeting represented churches, schools, the Negro political leadership in the community, and a county farm agent who gave to the group many valuable contact names.

We went on to Texarkana, Ark., to contact Negro leaders there to see if we could organize a voter registration program there. We contacted the leaders in the community and luckily, they had planned for the evenigg a meeting to discuss a voter registration drive. We stayed over in Texarkana to attend this meeting. Both Ozell Sutton and I spoke on the program. The people enjoyed hearing what we had to say, and chose a

chairman to head their "Voter Registration-Pay Your Poll Tax" drive. In Hope and Texarkana, there was unorganized, sporatic attempts to urge people to pay their poll tax and vote. The AVP is all over the state organizing these attempts, and an increase of registered voters is beginning to show up on the registrar's books. (Note: The AVP is well aware of the fact that a payment of poll tax is not necessary for state and local elections. In order to avoid confusion and misunderstanding, the AVP is urging people to pay the poll tax so they can vote in all elections. They even have to pay a poll tax in order to vote it out of existence.)

The AVP plans to organize voter rgistration drives all over the state and they are very close to realizing that goal.

Friday: I did some work with publicity registration material in the office, met Mrs. Daisy Bates, discussed voter registration with her, and helped some volunteers get their material ready for distribution in their assigned areas.

The AVP seemingly is a well-organized project. The most glaring weakness I found to exist is the need of someone of a responsible nature and know-how, to assist the project director. My short period of assistance to him seemingly was very helpful. I feel assured we may expect very good results from the AVP, especially under the qualified, dedicated leadership of Ozell Sutton.

As a result of our efforts during the week, an estimated 1,000 persons paid their poll tax and are now eligible to vote.

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Period covered by this report: From August 24, to Sept. 12, 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. John W. Moragne

542 Washington Ave. Johnson City Washington Tenn.

Street Address City County State

Date submitted: Sept. 12, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: 9

Henry Johnson

Ward, Beat, Etc. Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 25

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 7

Number successfully registered by this project this week 7

Number denied registration in this project this week

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means A copy of the "Three Minite Speech" has been sent to 11 Negro churches. A copy of "The Teacher and First Class Citizenship" was sent to all school teachers. 3 civic clubs

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 7

Number of workers in this campaign at present 15

Remarks We have contacted workers in Jonesboro, Tenn. Hope to reach others in Limestone, Tenn. Too, we have a group that will work next week on getting the data on the number of Negro voters in each precinct and etc.

Reports must be sent weekly. Note: Attach narrative report to this.

NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Period covered by this report: From Sept. 7 to Sept. 12, 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. Mattie Donnell

161 Pine St. — Street Address
Jackson — City
Madison — County
Tenn. — State

Date submitted: Sept. 14, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Madison

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 400

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 144

Number successfully registered by this project this week 144

Number denied registration in this project this week

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 318

Number of workers in this campaign 30

Remarks

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MEMO TO: W. C. Patton, Associate Director - Voter Registration
234 Hernando Street, Memphis, Tennessee

FROM: Milton Hardrick, Coordinator, Crusade for Voter Registration Drive, Dade County

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Narratiye Report, August 24 - August 31, inclusive

It is the expressed opinion that the drive is now gaining momentum and showing strength in the critical area of Central Miami.

As discussed the great potential of this area demands the attention of the drive. It is here that we are putting forth a sustained effort.

from Monday to Wednesday, we concentrated on precinct 120. It is felt that we did accomplish quite a bit. At this time we cannot supply you with accurate figures as each registration station is picked up at various times and many transfers are not included in the overall count.

Thursday was most unfortunate as Miami and Dade County became the victim of Hurricane Cleo.

We resumed out door to door activities on Friday in the same area.

On Saturday we had at least thirty or more workers in the field--many were volunteers from Miami Beach and other areas who have joined in to help. This was carried out on an interracial basis. Also throughout the Central Area and Liberty City we had a motorcade to help stimulate the critical areas.

Sunday was given to an extensive telephone campaign at the Roosevelt Savings and Loan Association. The paid workers along with our friends from Miami Beach gave this Sunday on a volunteer

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basis. This was most productive as many persons were not aware of the bond issue and that home owners had to re-register. We plan to call again this Wednesday night.

Our program will be very much the same as last week "door to door" "telephone campaigns" distribution of handbills at the various super markets, bus stops, and other likely spots. I would like to say at this point that a majority of the churches were covered last Sunday with the enclosed handbill.

I would like to make this observation if I may:

> When the books are removed from the local area we will be beset by hundreds who will desire to register. Now is the time to try to plan some type of transportation system to be used on Saturdays in each are from a central point in that area. Experience has taught and shown those in this type program that this operation only serves as a stimulant and a conditioner for the community to really understand what registration is. I cite this so that we can have an area of discussion when this problem does arise.
>
> Also we feel that we will work the entire section of Central Miami. I am not convinced that the other groups will give it the attention that we are able to render and that the manpower of those groups are limited both in paid workers and volunteers. We must pursue this course if we are to make any kind of showing. Contrary to what they might say we must be realistic about this and do what we deem is necessary.
>
> We will do everything that we humanly can to justify your selection, and trust that on October third ours will be a great ending to one of the most successful drives yet.

Respectfully submitted,

Milton Hardrick
Coordinator
Crusade for Voters, Dade County

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Period covered by this report: From Sept. 7 to Sept. 11, 1964

Person reporting Thomas C. Mason

Rt. 1, Box 229 (Street Address) Mason (City) Tipton Co. (County) Tennessee (State)

Date submitted: Sept. 16, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Ward, Beat, Etc. Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 26

Number successfully registered by this project this week 26

Number denied registration in this project this week 0

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start

Number of workers in this campaign

Remarks

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Period covered by this report: From Sept. 7 to Sept. 12, 19 64

Person reporting Marvin L. Cousin, Jr.

601 E. 8th St. Chattanooga Hamilton Tennessee

Street Address City County State

Date submitted: Sept. 17, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Ward, Beat, Etc. Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 400

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics 3

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week

Number successfully registered by this project this week 110

Number denied registration in this project this week 110

a. Reason for denial 0

Number contacted by other means 200

a. Specify means letters, canvassing, telephoning and meeting people on the street

Number refusing to participate 7

a. Reason for refusing to participate excuses of time and illness

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 572

Number of workers in this campaign 48

Remarks Our petitions for supplementary registration have been filed with the Election Commission. We now await the schedule.

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Period covered by this report: From Sept. 8, 1964 to Sept. 11 19 64

Person reporting Frank R. Kilpatrick

234 Hernando	Memphis	Shelby	Tennessee
Street Address	City	County	State

Date submitted: September 17, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Shelby County Tenn.

Ward, Beat, Etc. Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 2,043

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 1,540

Number successfully registered by this project this week 1,540

Number denied registration in this project this week

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means ~~Radio Spot Announcements and Sound Truck in~~

a. Specify means Radio Spot Announcement and Sound Truck in Supplemental Registration Areas.

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 2,134

Number of workers in this campaign 150 Youth and 150 Adults

Remarks Youth workers were in neighborhoods where supplemental registration was being conducted. Adults were working in wards and precincts also Supplemental Registration locations.

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Period covered by this report: From Sept. 7 to 15, 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. Ruth Griffin

1928 Bethel Avenue — Knoxville — Knox — Tenn.

Street Address — City — County — State

Date submitted: Sept. 18, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Knox County

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places — a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week

Number successfully registered by this project this week

Number denied registration in this project this week

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means — Persons throughout the city and county were contacted

a. Specify means — by special appeal through churches. Thirty-five letters and information sheets were sent to local ministers.

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start

Number of workers in this campaign

Remarks — Twenty-five workers were contacted by phone during the week and were urged to attend the Kick-Off meeting for door-to-door canvassing on Monday, Sept. 14, 1964. Sixteen workers attended this meeting.

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Period covered by this report: From Sept. 14 to Sept. 19, 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. Mattie Donnell

161 Pine | Jackson | Madison | Tenn.

Street Address | City | County | State

Date submitted: Sept. 21, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Madison

Ward, Beat, Etc. | Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 506

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 97

Number successfully registered by this project this week 97

Number denied registration in this project this week

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 415

Number of workers in this campaign 30

Remarks

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Period covered by this report: From Sept. 14 to Sept. 19, 19 64

Person reporting Marvin L. Cousin, Jr.

601 E. 9th St. Chattanooga Hamilton Tenn.

Street Address City County State

Date submitted: Sept. 21, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Ward, Beat, Etc. Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 450

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics 3

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 150

Number successfully registered by this project this week 150

Number denied registration in this project this week 0

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means 180

a. Specify means letters, canvassing, telephoning

Number refusing to participate 4

a. Reason for refusing to participate excuses of time and illness

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 722

Number of workers in this campaign 48

Remarks Our petitions for supplementary registration were filed and have now been scheduled.

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Period covered by this report: From September 14, to 19, 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. John W. Moragne

542 Washington Ave. Johnson City Washington Tenn.

Street Address City County State

Date submitted: Sept. 21, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Wards 2-5-7-9 District 9

Ward, Beat, Etc. Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 45

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 30

Number successfully registered by this project this week 30

Number denied registration in this project this week 0

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate 3

a. Reason for refusing to participate never voted and didn't want to, against religion, did not think it was important.

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 37

Number of workers in this campaign 12

Remarks

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Period covered by this report: From Sept. 7 to 21, 19 64

Person reporting Mr. Thomas C. Mason

428 Shelton — Covington — Tipton — Tenn.

Street Address — City — County — State

Date submitted: Sept. 22, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Covington, Tipton County, Tenn.

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 35

Number successfully registered by this project this week 35

Number denied registration in this project this week 0

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start

Number of workers in this campaign

Remarks

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Period covered by this report: From Sept. 14 to Sept. 22, 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. Ruth Griffin

1928 E. Bethel Avenue — Street Address; Knoxville — City; Knox — County; Tenn. — State

Date submitted: Sept. 23, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Knoxville and Knox County

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 355

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 107

Number successfully registered by this project this week 107

Number denied registration in this project this week 0

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means 2000 handbills, 85 announcements at club meetings

Number refusing to participate 2

a. Reason for refusing to participate not interested

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 107

Number of workers in this campaign 60

Remarks The campaign seems to be moving nicely. The workers are doing a good job with house to house canvassing and the community is quite aware of the drive.

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Period covered by this report: From Sept. 14, 1964 to Sept. 18 19 64

Person reporting Frank R. Kilpatrick

234 Hernando — Street Address; Memphis, — City; Shelby — County; Tennessee — State

Date submitted: September 24, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Shelby County, Tenn.

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 2,715

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 2,559

Number successfully registered by this project this week 2,559

Number denied registration in this project this week

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means Radio Spot Announcements

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 4,693

Number of workers in this campaign 150 Youth 150 Adults

Remarks Adults are working in Wards and Precincts. Youth are working after school.

The actual total registration will be reported after books close Oct. 5 as same is not being released by the Election Commissioner

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Period covered by this report: From Sept. 21 to 26, 19 64

Person reporting Mr. Thomas C. Mason

Rt. 1, Box 229 — Street Address
Mason — City
Tenn. — State

Date submitted: Sept. 26, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Tipton County — Ward, Beat, Etc.
Covington, Tenn. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 1

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 15

Number successfully registered by this project this week 15

Number denied registration in this project this week 0

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 50

Number of workers in this campaign 1

Remarks

Reports must be sent weekly.

Note: Attach narrative report to this.

NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

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Period covered by this report: From Sept. 21 to Sept. 26 19 64

Person reporting Marvin L. Cousin, Jr.

501 E. 9th St. Chattanooga Hamilton Tennessee

Street Address City County State

Date submitted: Sept. 28, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Ward, Beat, Etc. Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 1050

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics 3

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 385

Number successfully registered by this project this week 385

Number denied registration in this project this week 0

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means Letters, telephoning, canvassing and meeting people on the street.

Number refusing to participate 4

a. Reason for refusing to participate Excuses of time, no one to keep their children and illness.

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 1107

Number of workers in this campaign 48

Remarks Our scheduled supplementary registrations were successful; as well as the extra half day at the courthouse Saturday, Sept. 26, 1964. A special effort is being made this week to arouse the remaining unregistered of the urgency to register this week. The courthouse will be opened half a day Saturday, Oct. 3, 1964.

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Period covered by this report: From Sept. 21 to Sept. 26, 1964

Person reporting Mrs. Mattie Donnell

161 Pine Street — Street Address
Jackson — City
Madison — County
Tenn. — State

Date submitted: Sept. 29, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Madison — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 630

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 91

Number successfully registered by this project this week 91

Number denied registration in this project this week 0

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 506

Number of workers in this campaign 30

Remarks

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Period covered by this report: From Sept. 22 to Sept. 29, 1964

Person reporting Mrs. Ruth Griffin

1928 Bethel Avenue — Street Address; Knoxville — City; Knox — County; Tennessee — State

Date submitted: Sept. 29, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Knoxville and Knox County

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 1791

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 488

Number successfully registered by this project this week 488

Number denied registration in this project this week 0

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means 3000

a. Specify means Handbills distributed through housing projects, churches and shopping centers.

Number refusing to participate 5

a. Reason for refusing to participat Not interested, felt they were too old, blind

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 595

Number of workers in this campaign 110

Remarks All wards are being canvassed, 50 students from Knoxville College are working in the campaign, also 2 workers brought in by Rev. Gordon (State Pres.) from the Miss. Voter Campaign have assisted with canvassing for the last two days. Ministers have formed a car pool for this week to assist with transportation. Due to the extensive publicity and many contacts, numerous persons are going down to register of their own accord. It will be impossible to find out the number of Negroes registered during this drive until after the November election.

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

OCT 5 1964

Period covered by this report: From Sept. 21 to Sept. 28 19 64

Person reporting Frank H. Kilpatrick

234 Hernando — Memphis — Shelby — Tennessee
Street Address — City — County — State

Date submitted: Sept. 30, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 4,000

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places — a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 3,882

Number successfully registered by this project this week 3,882

Number denied registration in this project this week

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means Radio Spot Announcements

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 8,575

Number of workers in this campaign 150 Youth and 150 Adults

Remarks The total number of registered Negro Voters as of to date 92,386.

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SPECIAL REPORT

Helen Hayes

RE: Political Action September, 1964

Memphis, Shelby County, Tennessee

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Memphis is the second largest city in Tennessee, located in the western part of the state. One of the chief products in this area is cotton. The overall population of Memphis is 600,000 people, of which 240,000 are Negroes. There are 87,000 registered Negroes in Shelby County.

Slum areas in Memphis are not to frequent. Negroes have no major employment problems. There are Negroes on the Police Department, Fire Department, and hold other city jobs.

In the recent election Negroes were successful in winning offices. Negro A. W. Willis was successful in the run-off for State Senator and will oppose the Republican nominee.

A Voter Registration Campaign is in swing in Memphis at present, the second of such campaigns this season. However, this campaign is short of nothing. At supplementary stations, lines are blocks long with persons waiting to register. Youths parade with signs and sing pep songs. They also knock on doors. These youths are 200 strong.

A very youthful adult crowd is backing the youth. Persons up to 75 years of age are pitching in. Loads of telephone contacts are being made, and a sound truck is put in every area where the books are open. This has proven very effective.

In Negro areas so many persons appear to register that they can't be taken care of. Transportation has been provided to take these people to the Courthouse. In an unofficial poll, three Negroes to one white were being registered.

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Weekly pep meetings are being held to inspire the working and to keep them moving. Prizes are given each week for the precinct with the highest number of persons registered for that week. At the climax of the campaign a trophy will be given to the precinct with the overall highest number of persons registered.

At the rate this campaign is moving, Memphis will reach a mark of 100,000 registered Negroes .

October 1, 1964

Mr. W. C. Patton
234 Hernando Street
Memphis 5, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Patton:

Following your request on the telephone yesterday, we sent you air mail special delivery all of the canceled checks on your voter program through Nov. 1963 as it appears that your special VEP account started in December, 1963.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Period covered by this report: From Sept. 19 to 25, 1964

Person reporting Mrs. John W. Moragne

Organization

542 Washington Ave. Johnson City Washington Tennessee
Street Address City County State

Date submitted: Oct. 1, 1964

Election District to which this report applies: 9th

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Ward, Beat, Etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass ---------- 416

Number instructed at home ----------

Number instructed at clinics ----------

Number instructed other places ----------

a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program ---------- 27

Number successfully registered by this project ---------- 27

Number denied registration in this project ---------- 0

a. Reasons for denial

Number contacted by other means ----------

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate ----------

a. Reasons for refusing to participate

Number of persons registered since the start 64

Remarks:

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NARRATIVE REPORT

The drive has gone over nicely; everyone has worked hard to contact all Negroes in the city. We have done the best we could to keep an account of persons registered. However many persons have registered as a result of our house to house canvass and have not reported to any of the workers. We have made follow-up calls whenever possible. The following ministers worked in the car pool this week: Rev. G. J. Hill, Rev. R. J. Tolbert, Rev. Frank Gordon, Rev. R. E. Anderson, Rev. J. F. Reese, and Rev. J. H. Bell. These ministers along with several other workers were responsible for transportation during the drive. Should you still feel disposed to give $25.00 toward the campaign it will be given to these persons for the use of their car. We will send you the voucher showing the amount paid each person. We have no other expenses except the handbills you told us to have printed. We sent you the bill for these in our letter of September 25th.

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

OCT 12 1964

Period covered by this report: From Sept. 28 to Oct. 3, 19 64

Person reporting Marvin L. Cousin, Jr.

601 E. 9th St. Chattanooga Hamilton Tennessee
Street Address City County State

Date submitted: October 5, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Ward, Beat, Etc. Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 2000

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics 3

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 500

Number successfully registered by this project this week 500

Number denied registration in this project this week 0

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means 450

a. Specify means Letters, telephoning, Canvassing and meeting people on the street

Number refusing to participate 2

a. Reason for refusing to participate No one to stay with children, nothing to wear, no time

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 1607

Number of workers in this campaign 48

Remarks Our scheduled supplementary and Saturday registrations were successful, and all of our efforts to work harder were rewarding. Our figure this week may be an understatement as all of Saturday's registrants have not been completely tabulated.

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Period covered by this report: From Sept. 29 to Oct. 6, 1964

Person reporting Mrs. Ruth Griffin

Organization

1928 E. Bethel Avenue | Knoxville | Knox | Tennessee
Street Address | City | County | State

Date submitted: Oct. 6, 1964

Election District to which this report applies: Knoxville and Knox County
Ward, Beat, Etc. | Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass ---------- 1042

Number instructed at home ----------

Number instructed at clinics ----------

Number instructed other places ----------

a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program ---------- 517

Number successfully registered by this project ---------- 517

Number denied registration in this project ---------- 0

a. Reasons for denial

Number contacted by other means ----------

a. Specify means

Number registered since the start 1005

Number refusing to participate ---------- 11

a. Reasons for refusing to participate Not interested, religion wil not permit

Remarks:

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Period covered by this report: From Sept. 29, 1964 to Oct. 5, 1964

Person reporting Frank R. Kilpatrick

234 Hernando	Memphis	Shelby	Tennessee
Street Address	City	County	State

Date submitted: October 6, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Ward, Beat, Etc. Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 2,500

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 2,416

Number successfully registered by this project this week 2,416

Number denied registration in this project this week

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means Radio Spot Announcements

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 10,991

Number of workers in this campaign 150 Youth & 150 Adults

Remarks Total ~~XXXX~~ number of registered Negro voters as of today 94,802

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Period covered by this report: From Sept. 28 to Oct. 3, 1964

Person reporting Mrs. Mattie Donnell

Organization _____

161 Pine St. — Street Address
Jackson — City
Madison — County
Tennessee — State

Date submitted: Oct. 7, 1964

Election District to which this report applies: _____

_____ Ward, Beat, Etc.
Madison — Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass ---------- 630

Number instructed at home ---------- _____

Number instructed at clinics ---------- _____

Number instructed other places ---------- _____

a. Specify places _____

Number applying for registration as a result of this program ---------- 201

Number successfully registered by this project ---------- 201

Number denied registration in this project ---------- 0

a. Reasons for denial _____

Number contacted by other means ---------- _____

a. Specify means _____

Number refusing to participate ---------- _____

a. Reasons for refusing to participate _____

Number of persons registered since the start 707

Remarks:

One hundred fifty people were registered here before the Aug. Primary.

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SUMMARY REPORT

Helen Hayes

RE: Political Action - TENNESSEE 1964

Knoxville

Knoxville Knox County, Tenn. is located in the eastern part of the state. It is also the home of Knoxville College. Negroes are employed on the campus of Knoxville College, public school system, and skilled and unskilled labor jobs.

There are no Negroes holding any elective or appointive public offices.

Voter registration hummed this year as usual in Knoxville. Mrs. Ruth Griffin directed the campaign, with Mrs. B. H. Netherland serving as overall coordinator. The ministers played a vital role in the campaign. Weekly luncheons were held for them(at the expense of the community). At these luncheons, the church work committee made their political reports, and the representation was very good. Social clubs, service clubs, Greek letter organizations and civic clubs were also active in the campaign. All of this participation was garnered from meetings, letters, and personal contacts.

There were two paid persons working in the campaign, a director and a secretary. The community's response to the campaign was good; there was full cooperation from all segments. The students at Knoxville College added zest to the campaign and did a tremendous job canvassing.

Voter registration spot announcements were used on various radio stations throughout the day. Handbills were passed out, weekly meetings were held, and a victory dinner was given at the end of the campaign at the expense of one of the area leaders. All of the persons involved played a very helpful role in the campaign. As a result of this effort, approx. 2700 persons were registered.

Chattanooga

Chattanooga, an East Tennessee town, the home of Brock Candy Company and the conservative representative Brock. Lookout Mountain is also located in the Chattanooga area.

Most of the public facilities in Chattanooga are integrated; all of the hotels are open. The schools are desegregated. In fact Chattanooga has an honorable mention certificate from the All American City program.

Voter registration snowballed in Chattanooga under the director of Atty. William Underwood. Strenuous canvassing was done, publicity material was put out, radio spot announcements were made and letters were given to the school children to take home to their parents urging them to register. An office was set up on East 9th Street, which is a predominantly Negro area. A huge sign was placed in the window of the office and many persons stopped to see what the sign said. Most of them came into the office, thinking they could register there. These persons were informed where to go to register and most of the time, transportation was furnished them.

Weekly pep and report meetings were held with the workers. This proved very effective. Signs were put on cars and a caravan would leave each evening from the voter registration office to go to the Registrar's office.

The community cooperated with the project very well and it was one of Chattanooga's best. A total of 3800 persons were registered as a result of this effort. There were two paid workers, a director and a secretary, and numerous volunteer workers.

Johnson City

Johnson City is located in the extreme northeastern part of the state. Most of the Negro citizens that are registered are staunch Republicans.

There has neven been what you would call an all out voter registration program in Johnson City (the branch is only two years old). The groundwork for a successful campaign was laid. Mrs. John Moragne was selected as director. She was the only paid person in the campaign.

Citizenship Sunday was observed with full cooperation of the ministers. Volunteer workers were garnered through meetings and personal contacts. These workers were assigned to different areas. Most of the communities in Johnson City are integrated, therefore the area leader had to study cross reference directories to locate the homes of Negroes. Dr. Eugene Kilgore, a very successful dentist in the area, was very helpful in organizing the campaign.

This being the first organized effort of Negroes toward voter registration, the press was on hand to cover the meeting. An article on the meeting appeared in both the morning and evening papers. The campaign was carefully planned and the results were gratifying.

Dyersburg

Dyersbur Dyer County, is a small town located in West Tennessee. One of the chief occupations of Negroes is working in the cotton fields, this being a cotton belt area. The Negro schools are closed during cotton season so that the students will be able to work in the field. This I did not approve of.

Negroes hold no white collar jobs except teaching. There are no Negro doctors or lawyers in Dyersburg. A handful of Negroes were recently placed in the small downtown area of Dyersburg, as janitors, handymen and messengers. The president of the local chapter had been negotiating with the Chamber of Commerce and she reported that the hiring of Negroes as policemen would take place if they could find Negroes meeting the qualifications. Most of the Negro residents of Dyersburg thought this was done in an 'Uncle Tom' fashion.

The campaign moved along fair in Dyersburg in spite of all the confusion. Mrs. Ovella Ross directed the campaign the first half of the six weeks and Mrs. Johnnie Whitelaw completed the last half. On a whole there was little cooperation from the community. There never seemed to have been a meeting of the minds.

During the course of the campaign, one of the local Negro principles was appointed to the State Board of Education. This appointment was made by Governor Clement.

The Negroes in Dyersburg have a lot of work to do in the field of civil rights. A good deal of Negroes are registered in Dyersburg, but their votes are usually bought every election. In spite of all the disagreement, 168 persons were registered as a result of the campaign.

Memphis

Memphis is the largest city in Tennessee, with the greatest number of registered Negro voters compared to any city population-wise. Memphis banged again this year with a tremendous campaign. The books were put into the different communities for two weeks, and the Registrar's office was open the last two Saturdays before the close of the year, before the presidential election. This proved very effective. A sound truck and a task force were put in each area where the books were open. The most rewarding day came when, on the very last day of registration, 972 Negroes were registered and only 724 whites. Memphis Negroes represent what a lot of southern cities should be like. There has been a tremendous change in the Memphis way of life since the Memphis Negro finally learned the value of the ballot. Memphis was once called the capital of Mississippi; this was during the Crump administration.

During the progress of the campaign, weekly progress and pep meetings were held. Here the area leaders made complete weekly reports and in some instances refreshments were served. The time was ideal for the campaign. The youth were out of school and they contributed a great deal to the movement. They sand voter registration pep songs at different rallies and canvassed the different areas as a unit. They wore red and white uniforms and the response to their efforts was tremendous.

The sound truck played an important role in the supplementary registration. In each area where the books were, the truck would go down each street and urge the people to go to the station and register. On one occasion a group of elementary school children were going home and the persons riding in the car said to them, "Go and tell your parents that the registration books are at Katz drugstore". The kids began to run home and were saying, "My mother is going to register so she can vote for Johnson". The lines were so long at the registration stations that some of the people had to be turned away before closing time.

This campaign was truly a great one to watch. It was the more successful of two this season and it brings Memphis up to the 95,000 mark. Mr. Frank Kilpatrick directed the campaign and Mrs. Sarah Neal was office secretary.

Jackson

Jackson, Tennessee is one of the most progressive small cities in Tennessee. Jackson is noted all over Tennessee and the surrounding states for its militant direct effort programs. The students at Lane College, under the direction of Mr. Frank Porter, did a great job in the field of civil rights.

The citizens of Jackson realized that direct action programs had their worth, but voter registration was the most effective weapon of the day.

A very effective campaign was organized in Jackson with Mrs. Mattie Donnell serving as director. Mrs. Donnell worked day and night securing persons to add to the registration list. The community was divided into areas and each area was given a leader with several blockworkers. These workers were very effective. Weekly report and pep night meetings were held. Refreshments were served at most of the meetings.

A donkey parade was held during the campaign. A sign was painted for the donkey which read, "I am not registered because I am a Jackass. What's your excuse". This project was very amusing to the community. People were coming out of the bars, school children were looking out of school windows, and parents were coming to the doors of their homes. This project , we thought, was responsible for the turnout of almost 200 people for that week. This was the highest number of persons registered in any one week of the campaign.

The office was located in a very convenient place and a sign was hung on the outside so that persons passing by could see and come in if they needed assistance in registering. Ministers in their pulpits preached voter registration throughout the campaign. Teachers gave their students letters to take home urging their parents to register.

This campaign was one of the best Jackson has ever had. As a result of this effort, approx. 2,000 persons were registered.

SUMMARY REPORT

Hugh T. Love

RE: Political Action - TENNESSEE 1964

Jackson Madison County, Tennessee

The 1964 campaigns in Jackson were quite fruitful. Mrs. Mattie Donnell, an energetic middle-aged lady, was the director. Mrs. Donnell seemingly lighted these campaigns with the radiancy of her brilliant personality. The community worked well with her. Mr. Joe Merry, a recent candidate for City Councilman and chairman of the drives, was very instrumental in making these campaigns a flaming success.

Handbills, donkey parades, and materials from our office were used to publicize these campagns.

Public officials in Jackson presented no problem to the drives. As in most cities, public officials of Jackson are fastly realizing the importance of the Negro vote.

From the effots of the two campaigns, 1359 new names were added to the rolls of registration.

Mrs. Donnell and her force of nearly 40 workers did a commendable job in Jackson. In future compaigns, I think it would be wise to use this same organizational structure.

Memphis Shelby County, Tennessee

The campaign in Memphis was a flaming success. Nearly 10,000 new names were added to the rolls of registration.

Mr. Frank Kilpatrick, a noted leader of Memphis Negroes, was the director. Mr. Kilpatrick and his force of nearly 300 saturated the entire area with the gospel of First-Class Citizenship.

This campaign ploughed well the uncultivated ground of unregistered Negroes. After the grounds were cultiviated and the seeds of First-Class

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Citizenship were sown and the fertilizer of unceasing effort was distributed, the plants sprang up like trees, yeilding from their branches nearly 10,000 new registrants.

Door-to-door canvassing was used extensively. Handbills, radio spot announcemtnts, sound trucks, news articles and materials from our office were used to publicize the campaign.

The community as a whole cooperated very well. Ministers used the sermons on Citizenship Sunday. The spirit of the campaign was very high.

The victories of Negro candidates in the last election served as a catalyst to the campaign. Attorney A. W. Willis, candidate for State House, Jesse Turner, candidate for delegate to the Constitutional Convention, and Charles Ware, candidate for District Constable, were all victorious.

Public officials in the Memphis area were quite cooperative. The Registrar was quite lenient. Supplemental registration aided greatly in the success of the campaign, although we didn't get the response that we had expected.

Funds from Voter Education Project were supplemented by the local people. There were two salaried workers in the campaign, Mr. Frank Kilpatrick, the director and Mrs. Sarah Neal, secretary. There was a total of 300 voluntary workers.

For success in future campaigns, may I recommend the same organizational structure.

Humboldt Gibson Co., Bolivar Hardeman Co., Brownsville Haywood Co., Tipton County

The methods of work in these campaigns were so similar that I've decided to do a combined report on them. These campaigns were conducted

in rural areas, where most of the methods employed in other campaigns in other areas, could not be used. Voter Registration in these areas often loses the small amount of glamour that it carries in metropolitan areas. This is "meatless bone" of registration efforts, where progress seemingly comes hard and slow.

In Brownsville and Haywood County, Mrs. Mildred Hay, a young schoolteacher, directed the campaign. Mrs. Hay and her force of 20 workers added 154 new names to the books. In all of these areas, farming is the chief source of income. The workers are faced with the problem of transporting these people from these outlying areas, which is usually 8 or 10 miles from town. The houses in these areas are usually few and far apart, which presents another problem to the canvasser.

In these areas, the people are usually sharecroppers, and this brings about a certain amount of fear among them. The majority of them are usually fearful of the "white man's" attitude toward Negroes who register and vote.

Handbills are distributed at churches on Sundays to publicize the campaigns. In some areas where Negroes have businesses, posters and other materials from our office are used.

Critique and Directors of programs:

Place	Number registered	Director
Brownsville Haywood Co.	154	Mildred Hay
Bolivar Hardeman Co.	77	Bernice Miller
Tipton County	295	T. C. Mason
Humboldt Gibson Co.	228	Rev. J. T. Freeman

All of the above persons were salaried. If future campaigns are conducted in these areas, may I recommend these same persons as coordinators.

NOTICE!

TO VOTE IN THE PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION IN NOVEMBER 4-22

You Must Register NOW

It costs nothing, only takes about three minutes

The Books are open at the Court House, everyday

Monday thru Friday - 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Saturday - 8:30 a.m. - 12 noon

AT THE BALLOT BOX ALL PERSONS ARE EQUAL

IF YOU DON'T VOTE DON'T SQUAWK

If you need further help, call or see

MISS ALMA HARPER or MRS. RACHEL FREEMAN

UNION CITY, TENNESSEE

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Protect Your Home

Protect Your Future

Register To Vote - NOW

THE DEADLINE IS NEAR
SO DO IT BEFORE IT'S TOO LATE

Where: COUNTY COURT HOUSE
Bolivar, Tennessee

When: EVERY MONDAY

Time: 8:30 A. M. to 5:00 P. M.

Registration Is FREE

ONLY TAKES A FEW MINUTES
Urge Your Friends and Neighbors
To Register Also

For Further Information—

CONTACT - MRS. BERNICE MILLER

County Crusade For Voters

May 18, 1964

Mrs. Yvonne Minor
Coordinating Council of
Greater New Orleans
P. O. Box 5107
New Orleans, Louisiana

RE: VEP ~~3-12~~ 4-23

Dear Mrs. Minor:

I can appreciate the problems described by you in your letter of May 13, but we also have problems. One of the things bothering us is the fact that we would prefer that we be in a position to measure accurately VEP results and follow VEP finances during a definite period of time, and this is difficult to do when you are receiving funds from other sources. This was one of the reasons why we wanted to defer our grant until August 1 but with the understanding that you would operate entirely on VEP funds from August 1 until the $5,000 had been fully expended.

I note that your total budget is $25,836 for the year, and it would appear that you intend to raise $15,836 locally. If your minimum monthly needs are $1,500, and you can get at least $500 per month from COPE, then it seems to us that you can raise at least $1,000 per month locally for May, June, and July, and take a breather from fund-raising beginning August 1 when you get VEP support. If you were able to get a higher commitment from COPE, then you would reduce the amount you would need to raise locally. If you can get COPE to give you the entire $5,000 between now and August 1, then you would further reduce your need for raising funds at this time.

The one thing which I need further information on is the matter of just when you intend to raise your local funds.

I note also that your primary will be held on July 25 with a run-off on August 29, and I wish you would let me know just when your books will be closed for registration between now and August 29.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:js

cc: Mr Phil Weightman

May 6, 1964

Mrs. Yvonne A. Minor
Coordinating Council of Greater
New Orleans
Post Office Box 5107
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Mrs. Minor:

I apologize for the long delay in replying to your letter of April 15 in which you enclosed a copy of your 1964 budget together with a request for a $5,000 grant from VEP.

Because of the fact that VEP expended more money last year on your New Orleans project than we had agreed to give, we feel that the initial burden this year should come from your grant from COPE and your local contributions. VEP is willing to make a $5,000 grant toward your budget of $25,836, but we would like to make our grant effective as of August 1, 1964. I would like to know your reaction to this decision but I am assuming that if you were assured of $5,000 on August 1, that you could go ahead and use local or COPE funds between now and that time.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

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cc Mr. Phil Weightman

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COORDINATING COUNCIL of GREATER NEW ORLEANS

NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA

P.O. BOX 5107 944-3042

April 15, 1964

To: Mr. Wiley A. Branton
Atlanta, Georgia

APR 16 1964

From: Yvonne A. Minor
New Orleans, Louisiana

Re: Report on Voter Education-Registration Activities

This correspondence is sent to bring you up to date on the status of the Coordinating Council's Voter Education-Registration Program. On April 6, 1964, Mr. McDonald and I met with Mr. Phil Weightman and other COPE officials in Washington, D.C. We discussed the registration project and need for continued financial support from COPE and VEP. Enclosed you will find a resume of our activities from January, 1963 thru March, 1964.

Presently, we are working on a purge list of approximately 1,000. These list continue to be a "thorn in our side" and makes it extremely difficult for us to show a sizeable increase in our total registration.

You may be interested to know that recently we had a meeting with local labor representatives. They concurred that if it were not for the Coordinating Council working full time on voter registration, our total would, indeed, be far less than it is.

The treatment received by Negroes applying for registration continues to be hostile.

We have reiterated to you on numerous occasions the many problems we have in this area. However, this being an election year, we feel that at least one of our problems will be eliminated. We do not anticipate having to spend too much time convincing Negroes that they should make an attempt to register as soon as possible and not wait until the registration books are ready to close.

If we are able to receive the necessary funds for us to continue the program, we contemplate increasing our field representatives to six. We feel that being an election year coupled with an increase in field workers, a sizeable increase will reflect in our overall total. As you already know, our registration strength in New Orleans is tremendous.

You will note from the enclosed bulletin that registration instructions are given after church services at local churches throughout the city. Schedule as follows:

Corpus Christi Church	2022 St. Bernard Avenue	April 19
Epiphany Church	2741 St. Anthony Street	April 12
St. Raymond Church	3738 Paris Avenue	April 26

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Our Lady Sodality	2015 Louisiana Avenue	April 26
St. Peter Claver	1923 St. Philip St.	April 19
Holy Ghost Church	2015 Louisiana Avenue	May 3
Beecher Congregational	1914 N. Miro St.	May 3
also		
Ed's Cab Company	1609 St. Philip St.	April 8

Local Fund Raising Campaign - 1963-64 ----- $ 8,517.20

Balance on hand February 10th	$ 4,500.00	
	1,025.00	Local contributions Feb. and March
	$ 5,025.00	
Disbursements:		
Office Expense Feb. 14th thru April 3rd	- 3,178.16	
Escrow funds for taxes - first quarter 1964	- 554.16	
	$ 1,792.68	Balance on hand April 4, 1964

Our estimated budget for 1964 is $25,836.00. COPE HAS AGREED TO GIVE US $5,000. We are indebted to VEP and hope that you feel our project warrants its continued financial support. We would be grateful if VEP could match the COPE funds. However, we deeply appreciate whatever assistance VEP is able to render.

Orleans is the only parish in the state of Louisiana where the governor appoints the registrar of voters. We have heard rumors that the governor-elect will appoint a successor to the present registrar. If this does happen, we hope that he (deputy registrar) will apply the stringent Louisiana registration laws impartially.

In reply to the request for information on Negro candidates seeking public office, I hope the enclosed data will be of some value to your research staff.

If there are any questions in your mind regarding the enclosed report, I will attempt to answer them upon request.

We would appreciate hearing from you as soon as possible with reference to the matters discussed in this correspondence. Our reason for requesting an urgent reply is because we have a limited amount of funds on hand and we have to give our personnel a two weeks notice before we can terminate their services.

Trusting this report will meet with your approval and VEP will continue to work with the project, I am

Sincerely yours,
COORDINATING COUNCIL OF GREATER NEW ORLEANS
Yvonne A. Miro

ENC: cc: Mr. Phil Weightman

COORDINATING COUNCIL of GREATER NEW ORLEANS

NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA

P.O. BOX 5107 944-3042

April 15, 1964

COORDINATING COUNCIL OF GREATER NEW ORLEANS
VOTER REGISTRATION BUDGET -- 1964

Director	$ 6,000.00	
Office Secretary	3,600.00	
Secretarial Help	1,200.00	
6 Field Representatives - 5 hours per day @ $1.25 per hour - $31.25 per week - $1,625.00 per year	9,750.00	
Social Security	597.00	Agency Contribution
Rent	1,200.00	
Office Supplies	650.00	
Telephone Services	500.00	
Postage	500.00	
Printing and Advertising Materials	500.00	
Bank Charges	15.00	
Utilities	500.00	
Voter Registration Service	200.00	
Car Pool - Transportation to Registrar of Voters Office 2 cars @ $12.00 per week	624.00	
	$ 25,836.00	

COORDINATING COUNCIL of GREATER NEW ORLEANS

NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA

P.O. BOX 5107 944-3042

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May 22, 1964

Mr. Wiley A. Branton, Director
Voter Education Project
Room 206 - 5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton:

We have been assured by Mr. Weightman that COPE will forward us $1,000 per month. A minimum of $1,500 per month is needed for us to meet our obligations. Regarding our local fund raising activities, we receive scattered contributions throughout the year. However, the bulk of our funds were received from November '63 through February '64. It is improbable for us to raise funds presently.

We contemplate hiring several part-time workers beginning the first week in June. Between now (May 22nd) and the general election (November 3rd) the registration books will be open approximately forty four (44) days. This is the primary reason for us to continue to request $1,000 from VEP before August 1st.

Since it is necessary for VEP funds to be handled separately, if we put your funds in a separate account, send you copies of check drafts and itemize statement of expenditures, could you see your way clear to advance us the money?

Registrar of Voters Schedule:

Registration books open now until June 24th - Democratic Primary July 25th.

Second Primary - August 29th
Registration books open July 27th, 28th, and 29th for night registration.

Registration books reopen September 4th until October 2nd for general election November 3rd.

Grateful for your past cooperation and awaiting your reply, I am

Sincerely yours,
Coordinating Council of Greater New Orleans

Yvonne A. Minor

Yvonne A. Minor, (Mrs.)
Administrative Secretary

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cc: Mr. Phil Weightman

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May 26, 1964

Mrs. Yvonne Minor
Coordinating Council of
Greater New Orleans
P. O. Box 5107
New Orleans, Louisiana

RE: VEP 4-23

Dear Mrs. Minor:

This will acknowledge your letter of May 22, in which you explain your need for $1,000 as soon as possible. VEP approved a tentative grant on May 6, 1964, to the Coordinating Council of Greater New Orleans in the amount of $5,000, but the grant was not to become effective until August 1, 1964.

Following the correspondence with you, we have decided to make an initial grant at this time in the amount of $1,000 and will pay you the sum of $2,000 on or about August 1, and the final $2,000 on or about September 1. Our check in the amount of $1,000 is enclosed.

The same conditions and instructions are imposed on this new VEP 4-23 as were imposed on the old VEP 3-12 program. We especially request that you take precautions to protect us against the use of VEP funds in support of or against any particular political candidate or party, and these instructions apply whether the candidates be white or Negro.

We will continue to require the use of voucher checks, and because of the fact that you will be using both local and COPE funds in this program, it will be absolutely necessary that VEP funds be retained in an entirely separate bank account. If you desire to use the voucher checks which you formally used in the new VEP account, then you should write a check and transfer any funds remaining in that account

prior to the deposit of this $1,000 check so that there will be nothing in the account for the duration of the VEP program other than VEP funds. We also request that you keep us fully informed of your activities in accordance with the terms of your previous grant.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

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COORDINATING COUNCIL of GREATER NEW ORLEANS

NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA

P.O. BOX 5107 MAY 14 1964 May 13, 1964 944-3042

Mr. Wiley A. Branton, Director
Voter Education Project
Room 206 - 5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton:

This letter is sent in response to your correspondence of May 6th and 7th, regarding the financial status of our voter registration program. As of May 1st, all local funds were exhausted. Beginning May 8th, we began using $1,000 received from COPE.

We were pleased to learn that VEP has agreed to render additional financial assistance to our local project. We note from your latest correspondence, that you plan to invest $5,000 in New Orleans on August 1st.

In previous correspondence, I advised you of our March meeting with COPE officials. At which time, they agreed to give us $5,000 - at the rate of $500 per month.

After reviewing your letter, I contacted Mr. Weightman to inquire if it were feasible for COPE to send us $1,000 per month. In view of the fact, we need a minimum of $1,500 per month to operate, he informed me that he would make every attempt possible to send same amount. However, even if we receive $1,000 from COPE, we need $500 more to meet our monthly expense. We would like to request that VEP advance us $1,000 before August 1st, $500 each for the months June and July.

We sincerely hope that Mr. Weightman will not encounter any negative reactions from the top echelon of COPE with regard to sending us $1,000 per month. Also, we hope it is possible, at this time, for VEP to advance us $1,000 before the month of August.

Please let us hear from you with reference to the above, so that we can begin our all-out voter registration campaign for the summer.

With kindest personal regards for your continued cooperation, I am

Sincerely yours,
COORDINATING COUNCIL OF GREATER NEW ORLEANS

Yvonne A. Minor

Yvonne A. Minor, (Mrs.)
Administrative Secretary

cc: Mr. Phil Weightman

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COORDINATING COUNCIL of GREATER NEW ORLEANS

NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA

P.O. BOX 5107 June 3, 1964 944-3042

JUN 8 - 1964

Mr. Wiley A. Branton, Director
Voter Education Project
Room 206
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton:

These few lines are sent to express our thanks for VEP's continued financial assistance to our local voter registration program. As we have previously done, VEP funds will be disbursed in accordance with your instructions.

Sincerely yours,
COORDINATING COUNCIL OF GREATER NEW ORLEANS

Yvonne A. Minor

Yvonne A. Minor, (Mrs.)
Administrative Secretary

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June 4, 1964

Mrs. Yvonne Minor
Coordinating Council of
Greater New Orleans
P. O. Box 5107
New Orleans 15, Louisiana VEP 4-23

Dear Mrs. Minor:

We are sending, under separate cover, a supply of research reporting forms. We request that you submit a report no later than the 10th of each month, commencing on June 10. We believe the items on the forms to be self-explanatory, but feel free to question or make comments.

At the conclusion of your project, we will expect a comprehensive narrative report. The outline for this report is enclosed.

Let us know if we can be of assistance to you.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Barbara I Whitakerr
Research Assistant

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COORDINATING COUNCIL of GREATER NEW ORLEANS

NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA

P.O. BOX 5107 944-3042

June 15, 1964

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To: Mrs. Barbara I. Whitaker

From: Yvonne A. Minor

Re: Voter Registration Activities - New Orleans, Louisiana

We have six field representatives working in the Ninth Ward. This is the largest ward in the city. We are working in the Desire Project. This is referred to as a "rough section" of town. The potential of Negro voters in this area is tremendous. We were able to obtain the names of parent of school children in this project. This enables us to use a positive approach when contacting these individuals, because we know their names and tha t they have children in school.

We have two full time and four part-time field representatives. The week ending June 12th shows:

Number of contacts	115
Non-Registered	94
Registered	11
Not Home	10
Taught registration requirements	45
Not Interested	1
Successfully registered week ending June 12th	16
Rejected	7

We continue to conduct voter registration classes in different churches after Sunday services. Class - Sunday - June 14th - Greater Tulane Baptist Church.

We sent change of address forms to the registrar of voters office for new tenants in the William J. Guste Homes, (project).

There are no Negro candidates in the July 25th election. Biggest interest always exhibited just prior to an election, at which time, deputy registrar's fully enforce stringent voter registration laws.

There are no Negroes on the Democratic State of Orleans Parish Executive Committees.

There are two Negroes on the Louisiana State Republican Central Committee, namely, Mr. Jesse W. Cook and Mrs. Willie Harris. Two Negroes on Orleans Parish Republican Executive Committee, Mr. A. F. Launerville and Rev. Noah Copelin.

Yvonne A. Minor

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Church of the Epiphany

NEW ORLEANS, 19, LA.

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Confessions: Saturday 4:00-5:30 & 7:00-8:30

Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help St. Jude & St. Anthony: Tuesday night at 7:30.

THE DECALOGUE

6TH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST
JUNE 28, 1964

Moses Goes Up the Mountain And Is Instructed by God

IN THIS SPACE last week we noted that God, having demonstrated His power to the primitive Israelites by making it possible for Moses to lead them out of Egyptian slavery, now prepared to spell out for them their obligations to their Creator.

The Israelites had come to the area around Mt. Sinai. To impress them with the solemnity of the forthcoming law, a fearful storm of thunder and lightning raged around the mountain for a week—and at length, Moses knew that he must go up the mountain side to receive God's instructions.

For 40 days, Moses remained alone near the top of the mountain, fasting and receiving from God that which the Jews shortly began calling "The Law" and which we often refer to as the "Old Law" in contrast with the new law by Christ.

The Lord gave Moses the 10 Commandments carved on two stone tablets.

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MEANWHILE, back on the plain below, the Israelites found themselves waiting for Moses day after day. They decided at length that he wouldn't return.

It is useful for us today, in studying these primitive times, to note how ignorant, how filled with primitive superstition, and how lacking in a sense of ethics the ancients were.

Here was their revered leader, to whom they owed their rescue from Egypt, missing and presumed dead somewhere up the mountain. You might think they would have sent a rescue party, either to help him or recover his body.

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BUT THEY did no such thing. Instead, they proved quite willing to turn their backs on both God and Moses. They commissioned one of their number to build a new god for them.

To this childish and sorry end, they brought all their earrings and such-like golden ornaments to Aaron the metal smith—and from these things Aaron fashioned for them a golden calf to worship. Don't blame them too much: this happened thousands of years ago, and we today aren't free of foolishness.

But Moses, understandably, was hugely annoyed when at last he came down the mountain bringing the stone tablets of the Decalogue. In his anger at the quick faithlessness of the people, he threw the tablets down, smashing them. Next week, we'll see what happened next.

We must constantly regard the parish as Our Blessed Lord -- as Christ set in the midst of His people. --- The parish is Christ. If the parish is not functioning as it should, Christ is hindered in His work. We must constantly regard the parish as Our Blessed Lord, as Christ set in the midst of His people, worshiping the Father, working for His people. Any other concept of the parish falls far short of the truth. A parish today does what Christ did in His Day, or to phrase it more pointedly, Christ does today through the parish what He began in His own day. He did three things and He does three things: His work as Priest, Teacher and Ruler. He spoke of His priestly work when He said, "I am the Life," becausethis work meant giving divine life to people. He spoke of His role as teacher when He said, "Iam the Truth." He said of His work as ruler, "I am the way," because it is the function of one who is the way to lead us along the way.
In the parish, these functions of Christ are shared by priests and lay people, each in their own degree. Every act you perform in the parish takes its significance from this: That you are helping to do precisely one of these works of Christ.

Choir boys and Altar boys PICNIC today. Busses leave at 8:30 A.M..

Since we are short of altar boys today --- we ask any men of the parish who are able to serve Mass to come to the rescue.

HOLY NAME MEN --- Rosary over station W.S.M.B. at 6 P.M. July 21st.

The banns of marriage are announced for the 2nd time between Mr. Ferrell J. Lacoste of Epiphany parish and Miss Vienna F. Jones of Corpus Christi.

The "AMEN" now said when receiving Holy Communion, is a profession of faith in the Holy Eucharist. The custom of saying it dates back to the earliest centueis of Christianity.

The Rosary Groups will meet this week at the homes of:
Mrs. F. Delery --- 2875 Annetter St. Group #1 TIME 7:30
Mrs. William Wiltz, Jr. --- 2261 Industry St. Group #2. Monday night

We wish to thank Rosary Group #1 for their generous donation of $19.05 given to the church this past week. God bless you for your kindness and charity.

All parishioners who are of age to vote and have not registered to vote should contact the office of the COORDInating COUNCIL OF GREATER NEW ORLEANS ===1453 Norht Claiborne Avenue. Phone 944-3042. It is most important you exercise your right to vote. Every ballot counts. Go to the above mentioned office and they will teach you how to register. The Registrar of Voters Office will open its books for registration only 3 days this month --- July 27th, 28th and 29th. If you learn how to register you register on these three days. The books at the Registrar of Voters Office will be opened again for 20 days, those days are, from Sept. 4th through Oct. 2nd. In this Presidential election year, we urge all eligible people to REGISTER AND VOTE. If you can vote and don't vote, then you are shirking your civic duty.

The New Orleans Branch of the N.A.A.C.P. will hold its meeting on Monday, July 13th, at 8:00 P.M. in the parish hall of the Central United Church of Christ, 2401 Bienville Avenue. The delegates to the recent N.A.A.C.P. Convention will present their report at this meeting.

SHARING YOUR GOOD FORTUNEWITH HIM IS ONLY SAYING "THANK YOU."
How long does it take to earn one dollar? Would you give that amount of your time and effort once a week to God? That is what your contribution of a dollar a Sunday would be. For many it would be only twenty or thirty minutes of their time once each week. Is that too much? Not really. It is just getting started that counts! Whatever you earn, it is God who gives you the skill, strength and opportunity to earn it. Sharing your good fortune is only saying "THANK YOU."

THE SACRAMENT OF THE BODY OF THE LORD puts demons to flight, defends us against the incentives to vice and to concupiscence, cleanses us from sin, quiets the anger of God, enlightens the understanding to know God, inflames the will and affections with the love of God, fills the memory with spiritual sweetness, conforms the entire man in good, frees us from eternal death, multiplies the merits of a good life, leads us to our everlasting home, reanimates the body to eternal life.
St. Thomas Aquinas.

From the Pastor's Desk

June 28, 1964

Man's Dire Need Of Divine Help

In the Collect, the Secret and the Post-communion prayers of today's Mass Proper, we find a strong underscoring of our desperate need for God's help in the leading of our lives.

"O, mighty God," we pray, "author of every good thing, implant in our hearts a deep love of Your name. Increase in us . . . devotion . . . and virtue so that we may be supported by You and protected by Your loving care."

The plain fact is that a Christian takes on at baptism a tremendous obligation. From the moment he is signed with the cross, he is destined until the hour of his death to be at war with his human, animal instincts.

If he wins, the battle is well worth the reward—but if he loses? The latter possibility is frightful and frightening.

You are aware that priests are reluctant—indeed that they refuse in most cases—to baptize children who aren't likely to be brought up in good faith as Catholics. One reason for this is humanitarian: better not have the obligation which baptism entails than to make a mockery of this obligation. But you are a Catholic, baptized. You have the obligation. It is much too late for you to do anything—save the very best you can!

At The Elevation Try Hard to See Christ

We have been stressing in this space that Christ is truly present, easily to be seen, during the elevation of the Sacred Host at Mass. But Christ is present in another way which we should understand. He is present not only in the Host—but, in a mystical way, he is present, too, in the person of the celebrant: for at Mass, Christ Himself offers Himself to the Father as a spotless oblation and in a manner so sublime that the human mind does not fully grasp it. In a revelation to St. Mechtilde, our Lord said, "I alone know, and perfectly understand, what this offering is that I make daily of Myself for the salvation of the faithful; it surpasses the comprehension of . . . all the hosts of heaven." We have heard many times that Christ is both chief priest and victim at the Sacrifice of the Altar—but we cannot meditate too often upon it and upon the immense effort God thus makes to help us toward ultimate salvation.

"I would go home, Father . . . if I could remember where . . ."

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COORDINATING COUNCIL of GREATER NEW ORLEANS

NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA

P.O. BOX 5107 944-3042

July 24, 1964

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Mr. Wiley A. Branton, Director
Voter Education Project
Room 206 - 5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton:

Please be advised that we have only enough funds on hand to meet our payroll of July 31st and pay our taxes for the second quarter of 1964.

In previous correspondence, you stated that VEP would send us $2,000 on or about August 1st. We sincerely hope that you can send these funds the first week in August. Otherwise, we will not be able to meet our operating expense for the week ending August 7th.

Please don't consider me a nuisance, but I thought it better if you knew in advance how our program is financially.

Awaiting your reply as soon as feasible, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Yvonne A. Minor

By: Yvonne A. Minor, (Mrs.)
Administrative Secretary

P.S. In the afternoon mail, we received your memo of July 21 with reference to the movie film "Right Now". If possible, we would certainly appreciate receiving a copy.

Yvonne A. Minor

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9TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 19, 1964	Sunday Ninth Sunday After Pentecost *Mass for the Parish*	Monday St. Jerome Aemiliani Confessor	Tuesday St. Laurence Brindisi Confessor *Doctor of the Church*
Wednesday St. Mary Magdalen *Penitent*	Thursday St. Apollinaris *Bishop - Martyr*	Friday Open Date *Mass of the* *Previous Sunday*	Saturday St. James *Apostle* *Mass for the Parish*

Corpus Christi Church

2022 ST. BERNARD AVENUE
New Orleans, La.

FOURTH ANNUAL PARISH FESTIVAL
JULY 30-31 — AUGUST 1-2

Book Returns

Please make all returns at the parish office before July 26th so that your name can "light up" in red on the bulletin board records. Anyone making returns **after July 26th will receive credit for their contributions,** but time will not permit posting on the bulletin boards in the vestibule of the church. The Parish Office is opened today and every Sunday through July 26th after all Masses.

Talent Show and Dance

The Talent Show will open the Festival Festivities in the Gym on Thursday, July 30th. Everyone is invited to come out and see the talented contestants and help our distinguished judges, JOE WALKER of Radio Station WYLD, DAVE BARTHOLOMEW and DANNY WHITE, popular recording artists, select the winners. AL GOURRIER of Radio Station WBOK will be the master of ceremonies. Music by Danny White and the Cavaliers.

Festival Schedule

Grounds will open at 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 30th, and Friday, July 31st. Saturday, August 1st and Sunday, August 2nd, grounds will open at 2:00 p.m. Awarding of the grand prizes will take place on Sunday, August 2nd at 10:00 p.m. Winner need not be present.

TALENT SHOW AUDITIONS JULY 23rd. AT 7:30 P.M.
IN CORPUS CHRISTI GYM

Holy Name Rosary

All members of the Junior and Senior Holy Name Society are urged to say the rosary over station WSMB on Monday, July 20th at 6 P.M. Parishioners are asked to listen and say their family rosary at this time.

Full Mass

Every Catholic is bound to attend an entire Mass on Sunday. Please be on time. Many parishioners are coming to Church very late and distracting those trying to pray.

Banns of Marriage

3rd time between Ferrel Joseph Lacoste of Epiphany and Vienna Jones of Corpus Christi.

2nd time between Herman Paul Fitch, Jr. of Corpus Christi and Veronica Coleman of Holy Redeemer.

Corpus Christi's Development Campaign Hits $96,595;
Two Weeks To Go Before Campaign Winds Up.
Today is "Stay-at-home-Sunday" for those who are to be Seen

The priests of Corpus Christi are most encouraged with the fine showing being made by our volunteer campaign workers. At last Wednesday evening's First General Report Meeting the funds raised reached $96,595. With at least 4,000 persons to be visited, we expect that total to be boosted considerably.

We have only two more report meetings to go before the active phase of our drive ends. We appeal to our stalwart campaign workers to go all out to put our drive well over our maximum potential and we urge those among us who have not made their pledge to do so.

Today is "STAY-AT-HOME-SUNDAY" for those who have not been visited or have not made their pledge. The workers have been asked to make a special effort to see these people before our next report meeting which is Wednesday evening at 8:00.

If you are among those parishioners who, when the worker called upon you, said you could not give anything and have now reconsidered and wish to pledge, please contact the rectory and leave your name. We will have a worker call. Also, if you are a parishioner who has not been called upon, please notify us immediately. Before this drive ends we wish to be able to say that everyone has been given an opportunity to do something to help our campaign.

PLEASE READ THE INSERT IN THIS BULLETIN
FOR MORE DETAILS ON HOW YOU CAN HELP.

Leaders Camp

The Archdiocese is running a Summer Camp for high school girls during the week of August 16-23. The fee for the week is $30. If interested, please call the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine office, 861-9521. The camp is located in Covington, La.

Voter Registration

The Coordinating Council is offering free instruction on registering to vote. Their offices are located at 1453 N. Claiborne Avenue. Registration to vote is being accepted at City Hall on July 27, 28, and 29. All who have not registered are urged to do so during this presidential year.

WATCH THE MASS EVERY SUNDAY MORNING AT 8 A.M.
ON CHANNEL 4, WWL-TV.

You have heard that it was said: "Thou shalt love thy neighbor and hate thy enemy." But I say to you, love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, pray for those who persecute and calumniate you, so that you may be children of your Father in heaven, who makes the sun to shine on the good and on the evil and sends rain on the just and on the unjust. For if you love only those who love you, what reward shall you have?

HERE AGAIN OUR LORD hammers away at the basic theme of His New Law. Ceaselessly, He comes back to His message of love of neighbor. He makes it clear that we are all brothers because we are all children of the Father. In the Family of God, there is no room for enmity, jealousy, envy or hate.

THE BOND OF BROTHERHOOD

PERHAPS THERE IS NO AREA in human relations that breaks apart the bonds of brotherhood as completely as a difference of religion. A person of another religious belief, until recently, was regarded as a natural enemy and generally was treated as such. Today, let us study what our attitudes should be to those of other faiths.

1) *The Protestants:* Until the 16th century when Martin Luther broke away from Rome, there was only one Christian Church and one type of Christianity and that was Catholicism. Today, there are hundreds of sects professing to be Christian and, until recently, the Church of Rome was the common enemy of all the others and to Catholics they too were a common enemy. The mutual hatred of four centuries, even when it was sophisticated, was not a Christ-like display of love. Fortunately, Pope John, Vatican Council II and Pope Paul are leading us back to a deeper understanding of love for our Protestant brothers-in-Christ and a deeper appreciation of the insights which they can share with us. Many top Catholic scholars feel that we are indebted to our Protestant brethren for our new awareness of the Word of God in Sacred Scripture and the new approach to the participation of the people in Sacred Worship which the Fathers of Vatican Council II have authorized.

2) *The Jews:* For the better part of 2,000 years, with some notable exceptions, they have been hounded by well-meaning Christians who have forgotten Christ's Sermon on the Mount. Some people have forgotten that Jesus was a Jew, a true Son of Abraham; that Mary, His mother, was Jewish; and that all of His Apostles were Jews.

Pope Pius XII befriended refugees from Hitler's concentration camps and Jewish leaders have expressed themselves as forever in his debt. Pope John will always be regarded as their champion for removing from our Holy Week liturgy the stigma of "perfidious Jews" which to them has been the equivalent of a curse.

3) *Other non-Christian religions:* What can we say of some of the old oriental religions, embedded in cultures even older than the oldest western civilizations? We know so little about them and they know so little about us. We would hope, of course, that one day they will accept Christ and Christianity. But it is pretty certain that they don't now identify Christianity with love and charity. They don't know the Sermon on the Mount because they haven't read it in the example of those who call themselves Christians—followers of Christ.

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July 28, 1964

Mrs. Yvonne Minor
Coordinating Council of
Greater New Orleans
P. O. Box 5107
New Orleans 15, Louisiana

RE: VEP 4-23

Dear Mrs. Minor:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of July 24. I am leaving town immediately, and will be gone for the rest of the week. I am therefore sending you a check for $1,000 so that you will not run completely out of funds before I can consider your program.

I continue to be concerned over the program in New Orleans even though I realize that the books will be closed with the exception of a few days for all of July and all of August. Ours is a research program in which there is an attempt to gather data for the cause of low registration, and it would appear to me that even where you are not able to get registration in New Orleans, your project should be able to furnish VEP with data explaining in detail what you are doing to overcome this problem. I will be talking with Mr. Weightman this week at COPE, and will review your entire file upon my return in an effort to bring home to you what it is that we need from the New Orleans project.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

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COORDINATING COUNCIL of GREATER NEW ORLEANS

NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA

P.O. BOX 5107 944-3042

August 5, 1964

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To: Mr. Wiley A. Branton, Director
Voter Education Project

From: Yvonne A. Minor

Re: New Orleans - Voter Registration Project

This report is sent to review you on our work to date. As you know the Registrar of Voters Office was open for three days in July. We were able to get many people to make an attempt to register. It is difficult for me to pinpoint the exact amount because:

1. A large percentage of the people instructed in the project donot have telephones. We put our office and home telephone numbers on the applications given to them, but a relatively small number contact us. Some are careless, but we have found that many don't call because they feel badly about not being able to successfully register after we have reviewed the requirements with them.

2. Various working shifts make it difficult to contact these individuals after office hours.

To date, registration for July 27, 28, 29, - I have been able to contact 120 people. 78 have been rejected - the vast majority of these people have made at least two attempts to the voter registration office. 42 have been successfully registered.

Many of the people we have taught, have instructed others and they have gone to the registration office. Because of the number of people coming to our office for instructions and the number going to the Longshoreman's Registration school, the number of people attempting to register will more than triple the number we are able to contact.

I will continue to contact as many of these individuals as possible and will keep VEP informed in our reports.

One thing that has puzzled us is the fact that usually three or four days preceeding an election, registration statistics are published in the daily newspapers. We had a Democratic Judgeship Primary Election on July 25th. We looked, without success, for the statistics in the newspapers. We believe the main reason for not making same available to the public is because many Negroes were registered in June, prior to the registration books closing thirty days preceeding the election. And currently, staff from the registration office are canvassing certain areas of the city in an

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attempt
to find out that many persons have moved and did not report their change of address. This will enable the registrar of voters to remove these people's name from the voting books and it will offset any gain we have made.

As usual when working on a voter registration project, we have encountered many problems in the Desire Project area. After many of these individuals are refused registration for minor, if any, mistakes on their applications, they are unwilling to file suit because --

1. loss of their job

2. fear of being evicted from the housing project

3. and I think this is the major reason, a large percentage of these people are on the relief rolls. We had a hard time convincing them that for them to register and vote would not jeopardize their relief subsistence. The results have been about 50/50 getting them to understand. I think this is because a couple of years ago, many of these people were cut off the rolls for failing to maintain suitable homes for their children, (many illegitimate) and because the majority have been successful in being reinstated to the relief rolls, they will not do anything that might have their names removed from the rolls once again.

Any suggestions, appreciated.

I have sent to your office, copies of church bulletins with reference to the dates the books will be open for registration and where interested persons can receive instructions.

Yesterday, we were contacted by the League of Good Government requesting information that we have obtained from the canvass. I informed them that whatever material and data we have secured, they can use. LOGG is a group of Negro Women working on voter registration.

We are working in the William Guste Homes - high rise section - for elderly people. Have been successful in contacting these people because majority receive old age assistance and are home all day.

Sent in many change of address forms for people moving into these units, in cooperation with the League of Women Voters.

Presently, we are trying to organize the floors, with captains, etc. We plan to show VEP's film to these elderly people the early part of next week.

Have distributed handbills in canvass areas, when people are not at home.

We have in our office 3X5 index file cards on all individuals we are able to contact. Information included on these cards is the number of visits applicants has made to registration office before being successfully registered.

Enclosed is newsclipping affecting registration laws for the state of Louisiana.

Sincerely yours,

Yvonne Minor

CAYUNE, NEW ORLEANS, LA., THURSDAY MORNING, JULY 30, 1964

Four Bills for Voters Signed

Governor Okays New Registration Acts

Four important bills affecting voter registration which were passed by the Legislature during its recent session and were signed by Gov. John J. McKeithen became law Wednesday, Orleans Parish Registrar of Voters A. P. "Tim" Gallinghouse announced.

House Bill 254, which become Act 332 of the 1964 regular session provides that any registered voter who changes his or her name through marriage or otherwise need only to visit the registration office and sign an affidavit since it will no longer be necessary to reregister, Gallinghouse said.

"I urge all ladies who have married during the past year and who were previously registered under their maiden names to visit our office in person immediately to sign their affidavits," he said. "This procedure must be followed in order to preserve their registration."

NEW SUBSTATIONS

Regarding House Bill 255, which became Act 333 and provides for the registration of residents of both the Eighth and Ninth Wards at the registration substation at 8500 Chef Menteur hwy., Gallinghouse pointed out that until now only Ninth Ward residents have been able to register at the substation.

"There was not enough activity to justify maintaining this office," Gallinghouse explained. "However, by affording this additional convenience to Eighth Ward residents it is felt that many more applicants will make use of the facilities.

"When the books open again for registration on Sept. 4, it is hoped that residents of the Eighth and Ninth Wards will take advantage of the convenient location of this substation. Eventually it is hoped that the office can be moved to a location nearer to the Eighth Ward that will afford better protection from the weather than the present one."

MILITARY PERSONNEL

House Bill 256, which became Act 334 and is applicable to Orleans Parish only, provides that military personnel and their spouses can reinstate themselves on the registration rolls by mail within 60 days after mailing of notice that they are about to be scratched from the rolls if they neglect to vote at least once during a two-year period, he said.

Until now all voters who have not voted at least once during the two previous years were required to visit the registration office to reinstate themselves upon receiving a citation from the registrar as required by law, he explained.

"This procedure must be followed on or about Oct. 1 every year," Gallinghouse said. "Military personnel are at a disadvantage because most of them are not stationed in or near Orleans Parish.

"Under the new law so long as our records show a voter either to be in military service or to be a spouse of a voter in military service, then the law is applicable. Upon the voter's receiving the citation and the appropriate form from our office, he should obtain an affidavit from his commanding officer attesting to his being stationed at the base and return it along with the form properly filled out and signed.

'MUST NOTIFY OFFICE'

"It, therefore, is most important for the voter or his family, if they are residing in Orleans Parish, to notify our office of the military status if they have not already done so.

"House Bill 257 (act number unknown at this time) will provide for all boards of election supervisors in general elections to have six days instead of three to promulgate the returns of the election.

"As a result, if commissioners do not provide completed tabulation sheets, then we can wait until after the voting machines are legally opened on the fourth day to obtain the correct figures. The election returns can then be promulgated completely and correctly. It will no longer be necessary to obtain a court order to open the machines prior to the fourth day.

"I wish to thank Gov. McKeithen, the members of the Legislature and particularly Rep. Arthur Crais, who introduced the bills, for their assistance and cooperation in enacting this much needed legislation."

Gallinghouse, who is president of the Louisiana Registrars of Voters Association, said that all four bills were sponsored either by the association, himself, or both.

August 7, 1964 WB

To: Mr. Wiley A. Branton

Please let us know what financial position VEP has taken regarding our voter registration program.

Thank you.

Yvonne T. Minor

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NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA

P.O. BOX 5107

944-3042

August 10, 1964

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Mrs. Jean Levine
Voter Education Project
Room 206 - 5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Levine:

In accordance with your request, enclosed is copy of check #189.

Sincerely yours,

Yvonne A. Minor

Yvonne A. Minor, (Mrs.)

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8-15-64

August 7, 1964

Mrs. Yvonne Minor
Coordinating Council of Greater New Orleans
P.O. Box 5107
New Orleans 15, Louisiana

Dear Mrs. Minor:

Thank you for your letter of July 29, and the explanation for the missing check carbons.

We understand now that check #201 was given as a sample to to Mr. Davis of COPE in its entirety so that there is no carbon available.

We also understand the expenditure represented by check $189, but on this one we will still have to have the carbon of the check. Will you kindly forward this to us as soon as possible.

Thank you.

Jean Levine
Fiscal Assistant

COORDINATING COUNCIL of GREATER NEW ORLEANS

NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA

P.O. BOX 5107 944-3042

July 29, 1964

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Mrs. Jean Levine
Voter Education Project
Room 206 - 5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Levine:

In reply to your correspondence of July 25th, check # 189 was in the amount of $301.67. This was tax funds in the special account. In accordance with Mr. Branton's request these funds were removed and only VEP funds were placed in the account. Check # 201 was given to Mr. Earl Davis, COPE Representative on a visit to New Orleans last year. No funds were involved in this check.

Sincerely yours,

Yvonne A. Minor

By: Yvonne A. Minor,
Administrative Secretary

Send for carbon on #201
OK

7-31-64

July 25, 1964

Mrs. Yvonne Minor
Coordinating Council of Greater New Orleans
P.O. Box 5107
New Orleans 15, Louisiana

Dear Mrs. Minor:

In the financial reporting to this office in recent weeks two of the check carbons have been missing. We thought that perhaps they were being withheld for some reason and would appear in subsequent accounting but they have not.

May we have the carbons of checks #189 and #201. Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

Jean Levine
Fiscal Assistant

CORE - Congress of Racial Equality
38 Park Row, New York 38, New York
August 12, 1964

To: Contact List
From: James Farmer

ADOPT A CIVIL RIGHTS WORKER!

The Summer Freedom Program in the deep south has opened up many opportunities for civil rights workers to continue meaningful programs when many of the participating students return to school.

The national office of CORE will engage some civil rights workers, but CORE cannot possibly finance a sufficient number to carry on the program. In line with the decision voted at the recent CORE convention in Kansas City CORE is setting up a mechanism for CORE chapters, churches, unions, and other civic organizations to ADOPT A CIVIL RIGHTS WORKER.

The worker receives $1300 a year ($25 a week) for room, board and incidentals. CORE will provide travel, legal expenses and project expenses. We are asking CORE chapters, unions, civic organizations, fraternities and sororities to adopt a native Mississippian or Louisianan. In other cases they may adopt a worker with special skills sent from their own area. Organizations may adopt more than one worker.

Contact between the worker and the sponsoring organizations will be on a regular basis in the form of letters, photographs, reports, etc.

Any group interested in sponsoring a worker should write to:

ADOPT A RIGHTS WORKER
2211 Dryades Street
New Orleans, Louisiana

for further details.

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CORE - Congress of Racial Equality
38 Park Row, New York 38, New York
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APPLICATION FOR FIELD WORKER IN CORE TASK FORCE

More Task Force workers for Louisiana and Mississippi are needed. Programs in these states are expanding rapidly. There are openings for more people than are presently working in these states.

Voter registration work will be continued. Added programs include community centers and freedom schools. The projects need people with at least one of the following skills:

Creative (musical, dance, art, writing, film)
Organizational (working with groups of children, high school students or adults)
Medical (pre-natal care, dietetic, public health)
Programmatic (background in federal farm programs, co-ops, small business administration)
Teaching (particularly baskc English and math, literacy for adults, remedial reading for children and Negro history)

Hiring preference will be in the following order:

1) Native Mississippi and Louisiana Negroes
2) Southern Negroes
3) Northern Negroes
4) White males
5) White females

Applicants must commit themselves to a minimum of six months in the south, but preference will be given to those whose commitment is a year or longer.

Money to pay the workers (yearly subsistence is $1300) is to be raised by local chapters, churches, unions, etc. Such groups are being encouraged to adopt one or several workers. They will receive periodic reports from the workers.

(Please print. Answer all questions fully.)

Name_____ Telephone_____ Race___ Sex___

Permanent Address_____ City_____ State_____

Present Mailing Address_____ City_____ State_____

Date of Birth_____ Marital Status_____ Social Security #_____

High School Attended_____ Graduated?_____ Year_____

Colleges_____ Degree_____ Year_____

_____ _____ _____

Employer_____ Dates_____ Position_____

_____ _____ _____

_____ _____ _____

What civil rights groups do you belong to?

_____ How long?_____

_____ _____

_____ _____

List experience in working with people and community organizations_____

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List previous experience with non-violent direct action_____

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List specific skills that you possess that might be of value_____

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List four (4) references: 2 personal and 2 professional (employers or teachers)

_____ _____ _____
(name) (address) (phone)

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I will be available from_____to_____(give Month Year)

I believe in CORE's program of nonviolent direct action against racism and hereby apply for participation in the Task Force. I understand that arrest or injury to me might result and that by signing this application I waive all rights to damages against CORE (the Congress of Racial Equality), its directors, officers and all others in any way connected with the Task Force.

Signed_____
(applicant)

Signed_____(Parent or legal guardian must sign if applicant is under 21 years of age)

Address_____

_____Phone_____ Date_____

On another sheet of paper please state briefly why you want to join the task force. Mail this statement with the completed application to:

Richard Haley
CORE
2211 Dryades Street
New Orleans, Louisiana

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COORDINATING COUNCIL of GREATER NEW ORLEANS

NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA

P.O. BOX 5107 944-3042

August 14, 1964

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To: Mr. Wiley A. Branton, Director
Voter Education Project

From: Yvonne A. Minor

Re: New Orleans - Voter Registration Project

Presently we are canvassing the William Guste Homes. This area is within walking distance to the Registrar of Voters Office. We are distributing letters and handbills in the area.

Today, we sent our approximately 700 letters to non-registered voters. These names were in our files from last year's canvass of the housing projects, namely, Lafitte, Magnolia, Calliope and St. Bernard. Copy of newsletter enclosed.

We have had good response from the registration application published in the Louisiana Weekly Newspaper, 'Can You Qualify'. Copy enclosed.

Thus far, we have showed the film "Right Now" to three groups, - Booker T. Washington High School, night class, - residents of the Wm. Guste Homes, - and the League of Good Government workers. Reactions to movie attached. Plan to show film at Mt. Carmel Methodist Church, Wednesday, August 19th.

We have been contacted by the Director of the local Urban League. He informed us that they have received some funds from the National Office to work on voter registration, and requested our assistance in making data obtained from our canvass and other information available to them. Meeting scheduled for Monday, August 17th.

For the next six weeks, we planned to increase our part-time workers to a full time basis. Also, arrangements have been made to hire another person on Monday. Of course, the program, at this point, is dependent upon your previous committment to our group.

In previous correspondence, you stated that VEP would send us $2,000 on August 1st, and $2,000 on or about September 1st. To date, we have received $1,000 for August.

We have on hand a balance of $257.68. Please let us know what disposition you will take regarding our program, because we do not have enough funds to meet our upcoming payroll.

A number of organizations have contacted our office for assistance in voter registration, and we are hopeful that the work we are doing warrants VEP's continued financial support.

The Registrar of Voters Office will open September 1st.

Sincerely,

Yvonne A. Minor

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Preview of Film - "Right Now"

CCGNO
New Orleans, La.

On Wednesday evening, August 12, at 7:30 P.M. the film was shown at the Wm. Guste Homes. One hundred and one persons by count were present. The movie was explained by both Mrs. Collins and me. The audience enjoyed it tremendously, showing various dissatisfied approval.

Our appeal was made for an all out voter registration drive - the response being favorable. At a show of hands, we observed sixty-three people were not registered. Because this meeting was for the purpose of showing the film, we postponed the teaching of registration requirements because many were aged people and we have scheduled classes for next Wednesday, Thursday and Friday,

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 P.M.

Signed B. Chas. Plummer and
Mrs. Virginia Collins

Preview of Film "Right Now"

CCGNO
New Orleans, La.

On Tuesday, August 11, 1964, at 7:30 P.M., the above named film was shown to sixty people. After the film was shown, at Booker T. Washington High School, night class, observations were in order from individuals in the audience. Many gave their open reactions which were favorable, and others showed the same reactions by other expressions. We later emphasized the purpose of our "drive", being to get as many Negroes as possible registered for the November election.

At this point, I called for a show of hands of non-registered voters, getting a response of 33 people. Generally the people showed great interest to both the film and the need for more registered voters. It was at this point that we began to teach each person the registration requirements, explaining each detail. Questions were asked for, and were answered. We suggested all persons contact Mrs. Yvonne Minor for further information. The meeting adjourned at 10:05 P.M.

Signed B. Chas. Plummer and
Mrs. Virginia Collins

Preview of Film "Right Now"

CCGNo
New Orleans, Louisiana

On August 13, 1964, 8:00 P.M., at New Zion Baptist Church, 2319 Third St., the undersigned had the priviledge to teach ten future voter registration workers.

In addition, the film was shown and explained. The group was quite receptive and interested. The meeting was held on call by Mrs. Reed, acting chairman for the newly organized group, LOGG, (League of Good Government).

Each phase of the forms were taught. Questions were in order and answered.

The group was directed to contact Mrs. Yvonne Minor for further information and/ or clarification. The meeting adjourned at 10:10 P.M.

Signed B. Chas. Plummer

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Dear Friend:

During this Presidential election year, we urge all eligible people to REGISTER and VOTE. You have ONLY TWENTY-FOUR (24) DAYS in which to REGISTER before the election in NOVEMBER. THE REGISTRATION BOOKS WILL BE OPEN FROM SEPTEMBER 1st thru OCTOBER 2nd. The main office of the REGISTRAR OF VOTERS is in City Hall, Civic Center, 1300 Perdido Street, Room 1E03, opposite Sewerage and Water Board's Office. Residents of the NINTH (9) WARD may register at the SUB-STATION located at 8500 Chef Menteur Hwy. Residents of the FIFTEENTH (15) WARD may register at the ALGIERS COURTHOUSE, 225 MORGAN STREET.

OFFICE HOURS - REGISTRAR OF VOTERS OFFICE

September 1, 2, 3, 1964	9 A.M. until 4 P.M.
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If others can give their lives for the cuase of freedom, FIRST CLASS CITIZENSHIP, THE RIGHT TO VOTE, can't Y O U give a little of your time, and, at least, make an attempt to REGISTER.

IF YOU NEED INSTRUCTIONS ON HOW TO REGISTER AND VOTE, PLEASE CONTACT or VISIT our OFFICE. COME IN NOW and BEAT THE CROWD.

PLEASE PASS THIS VALUABLE INFORMATION ON TO A FRIEND.

Remember: IF YOU DON'T VOTE, DON'T SQUAWK.

Thank you.

August 14, 1964

CAN YOU QUALIFY?

FILL IN THIS SAMPLE REGISTRATION FORM AND SEE !!!

945-5928

(FRONT)

FORM OF APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION

OFFICE OF REGISTRAR OF VOTERS

Ward No. 9

Prect. No. 5

Orleans Cert. No.

RESIDENCE 1332 Charbonnet St.

I am a citizen of the United States and of the State of Louisiana.

My name is Mr.—Mrs.—Miss Dorothy S. Birdsall. I was born on the 6 day of May, in the year 1929. I am now 35 years 3 months and 0 days of age. I was born in the State (or Country) of Louisiana, Parish (or County) of Avoyelles. I have resided in this State since birth, in this Parish since 1941, and in Precinct No. 5 in Ward No. 9 of this Parish continuously since 1960.

I am not disfranchised by any provisions of the Constitution of this State. The name of the householder at my present address is Eddie J. Birdsall. I am not now registered as a voter in any other Ward or Precinct of this State, except None. My last registration was in Ward 9 Precinct 6 Parish Orleans. My occupation is housewife. My color is Negro. My sex is female. I am now affiliated with the Democratic Party.

In each of the following items the applicant shall mark through the word "have" or the words "have not" so that each item will show a true statement about the applicant.

I have (~~have not~~) been convicted of a felony without receiving a full pardon and restoration of franchise.

I ~~have not~~ (have) been convicted of more than one misdemeanor and sentenced to a term of ninety (90) days or more in jail for each such conviction, other than traffic and/or game law violations, within five years before the date of making this application for registration as an elector.

I have (~~have not~~) been convicted of any misdemeanor and sentenced to a term of six (6) months or more in jail, other than traffic and/or game law violations, within one year before the date of making this application for registration as an elector.

(BACK)

I have (~~have not~~) lived with another in "common law" marriage within five years before the date of making this application for registration as an elector.

I have (~~have not~~) given birth to an illegitimate child within five years before the date of making this application for registration as an elector. (The provisions hereof shall not apply to the birth of any illegitimate child conceived as a consequence of rape or forced carnal knowledge.)

I have (~~have not~~) acknowledged myself to be the father of an illegitimate child within five years before the date of making this application for registration as an elector. I do hereby solemnly swear or affirm that I will faithfully and fully abide by all the laws of the State of Louisiana, so help me God.

Signature Dorothy S. Birdsall

Sworn to and subscribed before me: _____ (Deputy Registrar

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Date _____ Address _____ Ward No. _____ Prect. No. _____ Cert. No. _____

Date _____ Address _____ Ward No. _____ Prect. No. _____ Cert. No. _____

Date _____ Address _____ Ward No. _____ Prect. No. _____ Cert. No. _____

CHANGE OF NAME

I am now Mr.—Mrs.—Miss _____ Date of change _____

Nature of change _____

REMARKS

The following information forms no part of the application but is for use of the registration records:

Parish of Orleans, State of Louisiana. Date 8/6/, 1964.

Address 1332 Charbonnet St. Color of eyes Brown

Mother's first or maiden name Orelia Name of employer None

property owner ✓ Tenant _____ Boarder _____

VOTER REGISTRATION SCHOOL

1453 No. CLAIBORNE AVE.

Courtesy of The Louisiana Weekly Publishing Company

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August 17, 1964

Attorney Frank Dunbaugh and/or Attorney Richard Parson
Civil Rights Division
Department of Justice
Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Attorneys Dunbaugh and Parson:

We realize that you have a tremendous job and a limited and overworked staff, but we would like to know if it is at all possible to have a representative from your office at the Registrar of Voters Office when it re-opens September 1st. The Office is located in City Hall, Civic Center, 1300 Perdido Street, Room 1E03. The books will be open from September 1st through October 2nd. September 1, 2, and 3, from 9 A.M. until 4 P.M. and September 4th through October 2nd, from 9 A.M. until 8 P.M.

You will remember that we worked with you the latter part of 1963. We have maintained a file on the number of people applying for registration and the number of visits they have to make before being successfully registered. Unless there is some help from your office, they (the deputy registrars) will continue to use the same old shenanigans and systematically exclude Negroes from the Registration Rolls.

Last month, the books were open for three days because of a Democratic Primary election, July 27, 28, 29. In those three days more than fifty (50) persons were refused registration because of insufficient identification.

Not even the military personnel are able to register. On August 6, 1964, Mr. & Mrs. Harold C. Nance, (Irma W.) of 1611 Ursuline Street, were rejected. Both are native New Orleanians, residents of Ward 6, Precinct 5, a member of the United States Army for seventeen (17) years. Mr. Nance requested, where if at all, his mistake was made. The reply from the deputy registrar was for him to find that out, he would have to obtain an affidavit from his attorney requesting same. He had to leave the next day for Viet Nam.

On the same day, Mr. Manuel Billups, 2416 Benton Street, resident of Ward 9, Precinct 6A, in the United States Navy for twenty-one (21) years was also rejected.

Today, Mr. Tyrone Nealy, 3424 Mistletoe Street, resident of Ward 17, precinct 13, was not given a registration application. He was told by Mr. Nicholas, a deputy registrar, the books were closed and he would have to return in September. Mr. Nealy's leave from the military service was from July 21 through August 21. He requested a meeting with the Registrar of Voters, Mr. A.P. Gallinghouse. The Registrar of Voters appeared to sympathize with him, but still would not give him a registration application.

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He stated to Mr. Healy, that since he was on leave when the books were open in July, he should have applied for registration at that time. Mr. Healy informed Mr. Gallinghouse that he was not in the city. The Registrar of Voters said that he was sorry, but he could not make any exceptions, not even for military personnel.

However, on Mr. Gallinghouse's desk is a "Goldwater" sticker and he asked Mr. Healy how would he vote in the Presidential election in November. Mr. Healy's reply was that he had not made up his mind as yet.

Please let us hear from you regarding this matter as soon as possible.

Very sincerely yours,
COORDINATING COUNCIL OF GREATER NEW ORLEANS

By: Yvonne A. Minor, (Mrs.)
Administrative Secretary

:yam

August 21, 1964

Mrs. Yvonne Minor
Coordinating Council of
Greater New Orleans
P. O. Box 5107
New Orleans 15, Louisiana

RE: VEP 4-23

Dear Mrs. Minor:

I am enclosing our VEP check in the amount of $1,000 representing payment of the balance of the $2,000 installment which you were due on August 1. I note that we have a commitment to send you a final $2,000 on September 1.

I continue to be greatly concerned over the New Orleans program, as I think we are spending an awful lot of money and getting very poor results. I simply cannot understand why your project is not able to get more applicants to go down to the registrar's office. Will you please let me know how many applicants you were able to get to go down on July 27, 28, and 29?

How long has it been since the Coordinating Council met for the purpose of discussing the registration program? Who is the director of your program now? I would appreciate it if you would bring this letter to the attention of the executive committee of the Council.

We are prepared to pay the final installment as previously arranged, but we would like some assurances that a more vigorous program will definitely be conducted during the month of September. Has your program set up any quota for new registration for the month of September? I hope you understand, Mrs. Minor, that we appreciate the work which you are doing and my remarks are not intended for you personally, but are

intended for those persons who should be responsible for each phase of the registration program in New Orleans.

With kind personal regards.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:js
Encl: $1,000 check

INTEROFFICE REQUEST FOR PAYMENT FORM

Please pay the sum of: ONE THOUSAND AND 00/100 DOLLARS ~~($1,000.00)~~

TO: Coordinating Council of Greater New Orleans
(Name)
P.O. Box 5107
(Address)
New Orleans 15, Louisiana
(City and state)

Reason for payment: Balance of $2,000 installment due ~~August 1, final installment due Sept.~~ 1

VEP

If departmental or special budget, specify: _____

VEP

Payment is general operations, _____ project, expense.

Date 8/21/ 19 64

Requested by: ~~Yvonne Minor, Administrative Secretary~~

Approved: Wiley A. Branton
Project Director

WB

COORDINATING COUNCIL of GREATER NEW ORLEANS

NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA

P.O. BOX 5107 August 26, 1964 944-3042

AUG 28 1964

To: Mr. Wiley A. Branton

Executive Committee Meeting - Voter Registration - scheduled for Friday, August 28, 1964. Plan to answer your latest correspondence after this meeting. ?

Yvonne G. Minor

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COORDINATING COUNCIL of GREATER NEW ORLEANS

NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA

P.O. BOX 5107 944-3042

August 31, 1964

SEP 1 1964

Mr. Wiley A. Branton, Director
Voter Education Project
Room 206 - 5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton:

This letter is sent in response to your correspondence dated August 21, 1964. In answer to your question regarding the number of people applying for registration on the 27, 28, and 29th of July, we estimate that 300 people visted the registration office on these days. This figure would not reflect in the Registrar of Voters Office because a large number were turned away for insufficient identification and there is no record that they have applied for registration.

In reference to our letter to the Justice Department, of which a copy was forwarded to you, Attorney Frank Ross telephoned last Friday. Regarding our correspondence, he stated that it was not legally possible for them to have a representative in the registration office when it opens tomorrow. He stated that they are working on the data and applications we furnished them with last November and we should continue to keep a record on the people seeking to register, particularly those turned away for improper identification. He informed me that he would be in and out of New Orleans during the month of September and probably a suit will be filed regarding the identification aspect. If this is any consolation, he further stated that if it were not for us working full time on registration, out total might be in the neighborhood of 15,000 registered voters.

We have shown the film "Right Now" to many, many people. I would estimate that one out of every four we teach actually apply for registration. We have licked the problem of teaching the requirements, our major concern now is to get the people we have taught to the voter registration office. There is some apathy, but mostly the fear of being ill-treated has kept many of them from applying for registration. We are constantly trying to build up their morale, but it is difficult.

On August 28, 1964, the Executive Committee met for the purpose of outlining our activities for the month of September. Representatives from the Urban League and the League of Good Government were present. We are the major groups in the city working on registration. Rev. Milton L. Upton will supervise the activities for the Urban League. They concurred that the U.L. and LOGG would work in cooperation with the Council because of our experience. We gave a recap of our activities in various sections of the city.

Photocopy for Research files
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The Urban League will concentrate their activities in the St. Bernard Housing Project. We canvassed this area last year, and last Friday distributed handbills to every family in this project, approximately 1,000. They have set up a registration clinic in one of the vacant projects. Also, they have purchased the voting list for this area, Precincts 27 and 27A, Ward 7. They requested that we orientate their field representatives on the necessary requirements. We also heard at the meeting that approximately 5,000 names are due to be scratched from the voting rolls before the November election. Don't know how authentic this is, have to wait and see.

Regarding your question of the director of the program, our previous director, Mr. I.S. Daniel, accepted the position of director of United Federal Savings and Loan Association. I have worked very closely with B. Charles Plummer, school teacher by profession, and Mrs. Virginia Collins. Mr. Plummer worked with us last summer. Since Mr. Daniel left our employ a lot of his responsibilities were shifted to me. Mr. Plummer, Mrs. Collins and our other field representatives have worked diligently. For instance, in the Wm. J. Guste Homes, we have set up voter registration classes three days per week. Classes are held in the Community Center. The entire project has been canvassed, all interested people have been given instructions, we have distributed flyers urging them to register and vote, we have sent letters giving the dates and office hours of the registration office, we have made telephone contacts.

In view of the large number we have instructed in this area, we decided to give a party, in hopes we can get them together and then escort them to the registration office which is within walking distance from this project. We have exhausted almost all other means of getting the majority that we teach to the registration office, so we are hopeful that this party will turn the trick. Knowing the way we feel about parties, we are optimistic about this venture because we feel that we can't continue to be losers.

Alongwith other groups working on registration, a minimum figure of 10,000 was estimated as the number of people we can get to apply for registration prior to the November election. You can be assured that we will exhaust every method to get an excess of the above mentioned figure to apply for registration.

Your letter of August 21, 1964 was brought to the attention of the Executive Committee.

In view of the strenuous activities beginning this week, we have had to hire additional office help and field workers.

I am hopeful that you will see fit to forward the additional funds committed to us in your correspondence of April 23, so we may continue.

Very truly yours,
COORDINATING COUNCIL OF GREATER NEW ORLEANS
Yvonne A. Minor
Yvonne A. Minor, (Mrs.)
Administrative Secretary

P.S. Today in the Desire Housing Project, we distributed flyers to all families, approximately 1,000. We are also making telephone contacts.

Distributed in Wm. J. Guste Homes

VOTE

GET REGISTERED TODAY!!!

COME TO A PARTY GIVEN BY THE

COORDINATING COUNCIL OF GREATER NEW ORLEANS

DATE: SEPTEMBER 1, 1964

PLACE: WILLIAM J. GUSTE HOMES - COMMUNITY CENTER

TIME: 10:00 A.M. until 2 P.M.

BRING PROPER IDENTIFICATION WITH YOU

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Distributed in Desire + St Bernard Housing Projects

REGISTER — VOTE

VOTE and the choice is YOURS

DON'T VOTE and the choice is

THEIRS

Registrar of Voters Office opens

SEPT. 1, 1964

For more information telephone 944-3042

or visit our office at

1453 N. CLAIBORNE AVENUE

September 4, 1964

FUTURE CORE PROGRAM IN LOUISIANA

I. Achievement of 150,000 additional registered Negro voters by December 1965. To be accomplished by:
   A. campaigns utilizing voters' leagues in 43 parishes;
   B. pressing for federal action against obstructionistregistrars;
   C. political organizing to promote candidacy and election of governmental offices at all levels, and to membership in parish and state Democratic party committees.

II. Freedom Schools and Community Centers in locations yet to be determined.

III. Formation of CORE chapters in additon to St. Francisville, Clinton and Monroe. Potential towns are Plaquemine, Hammond, Bogalusa, Baton Rouge, Donaldsonville, New Roads, Jonesboro, Shreveport and Alexandria.

IV. Implementation of Civil Rights of 1964 through tests and lawsuits.

V. Attack on discrimination in federally-assisted programs. This is one reason for the urgency in setting up a research department in the Southern Office.

VI. Legal action to end discrimination in public facilities (to be at least partially financed by the local community.)

VII. Community organization developing around community problems, involving sustained community action and emphasizing development of indigenous leadership.

NOTE: This proposed program was drawn up by Ronnie Moore, with assistance from members of the Louisiana staff. Emphasis was placed on effectiveness, without making budget considerations a principal factor in planning. This is neither naive, nor inconsiderate of other aspects of CORE programming. Rather, it makes allowance for suggestions and restrictions that will be introduced by national office, viewing this program in its relation to the national program.

I have reviewed and edited the original draft presented by Ronnie. I am in agreement with this. However, I would point out that there needs to be further explanation of specific items (such as those marked, "to be outline in detail"), and there may be a further clarigying statement on project budget.

I would urge national office to explore this proposal, and communicate to us your reactions as soon as possible. We would like to be able to send copies to NAC members before September 26, but not until after having received comment from the National Director.

RH

LOUISIANA CITIZENSHIP PROGRAM

We must take on ourselves the responsibility of meeting the needs of the whole community. Thus our expansion must not only be geographic but also one of scope and depth of program. Such a program will branch out variously into economic, political, educational and legal actions and projects.

I. Political
   A. Voter Registration
   B. Community Organization emphasizing formation of voters leagues at community, parish and district levels.
   C. Election
      1. sponsoring Negro candidates for party leadership position
      2. sponsoring Negro candidates for political office
   D. Challenges based on exclusion of Negroes from voting rolls
      1. of party elections
      2. of elections to political office, including Congress

II. Economic
   A. Statistics on no. of jobs, kinds of jobs
   B. Discrimination in employment and labor unions
   C. Unemployment
   D. Special problems
      1. Federal surplus food distribution program
      2. Sweet potato market in St. Francisville area
      3. Other Federal programs on job training, farm subsidy, etc.

III. Social
   A. Desegregation of public facilities and accommodations through testing, legal action and negotiation. (The negotiation with national concerns.)
   B. Direct action

IV. Educational
   A. Community Centers: to be outlined in detail
   B. Freedom Schools: to be outlined in detail
      1. Young people
      2. Adults--literacy; leadership training
   C. Leadership conferences at college and community levels

V. Legal Action: suits and injunctions
   A. segregated public facilities and accommodations
   B. public and private conspiracies
      1. intimidation by law enforcement officials and parish or state authorities
      2. private acts of harassment
      3. school desegregation

In order to begin work in the areas mentioned above, we must first of all survey each parish through personal conferences and research; secondly, outline a long-range program on a parish-by-parish basis to meet the community needs, and thirdly determine from our survey the minimum needs in manpower and fanancial resources. In short, our program will emphasize community demands rather than a program priority of our own.

PLANS OF STATE EXPANSION AND SPECIAL PROJECTS

September 1964 - December 1964

1.	Eduactional center at St. Francisville	February 1965
2.	Shreveport program	May 1965
3.	Perez challenge	June 1965
4.	Expansion into 2-3-7 congressional districts of Louisiana	August 1965
5.	Statewide political action conferences of college people and community leaders	December 1965

Essentials for carrying out the above endeavors will be discussed separately.

LOUISIANA PROGRAM BUDGET

October 1, 1964 through May 31, 1965

I.	Weekly Operating Expenses	
	A. Rent for sub-offices: Shreveport and Monroe	25.00
	B. Office supplies, voter registration materials	50.00
	C. Gas for 8 cars at $5.00 per day ($40.00 weekly) (does not include cars rented from National Car Rental))	320.00
	D. Miscellaneous expenses: extra travel and lodging, traffic violations and minor bond costs, etc.	100.00
	E. Communication: postage, telegraph, telephone	50.00
	Weekly Total	545.00
	Oct.-May Total	17,985.00 ST.
II.	Subsistence allowance for 31 workers @ $25 weekly	775.00
	Oct.-May Total	25,575.00 ST
III.	Full operating budget Oct.-May Total	43,560.00 T

It is to be pointed out that 58.7% (almost 60%) is allocated to the subsistence allowance for Task Force. The strain on national office as a source of funds can therefore be appreciably reduced if CORE chapters respond realistically to the Adopt-A-Rights Worker program.

7 cars at $125.00 each per month
totaling $875.00 a month

La. Weekly

VOTER REGISTRATION DRIVE OPENS -- The Coordinating Council of Greater New Orleans this week is conducting voter registration classes in the William J. Guste Homes. The top left picture shows Mrs. Virginia Young Collins, left, on the scene directing the operation. Others in the picture are Mrs. Evelyn Hearry and B. Charles Plummer, an instructor. At the top right is a registration class being instructed by Mr. Plummer. The lower left photograph shows another group of prospective applicants for registration completing sample forms. The lower right picture shows a number of Guste Homes residents in the corridors of City Hall waiting to enter the Voter Registration office. Mrs. Collins pointed out that all persons not now qualified to vote must register by Oct. 2 if they wish to participate in the Nov. 3 Presidential Election. Other registration schools are located at 1453 North Claiborne, the Urban League Office, 1821 Orleans Avenue; the ILA Registration School, 503 1/2 South Rampart Street; St. Raymond School, 3717 Hamburg Street (Tuesday night), and St. David School, 1231 Caffin Avenue (Monday night). -- PORTER PHOTO NEWS

Rec'd 9/5/64

COORDINATING COUNCIL of GREATER NEW ORLEANS

NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA

P.O. BOX 5107 944-3042

September 4, 1964

To: Mr. Wiley A. Branton, Director
Voter Education Project

From: Yvonne A. Minor, (Mrs.)

Re: Voter Education-Registration Activities

We feel that our "Party" in the William J. Guste Homes on September 1st was successful. Although we did not have as many people as anticipated, it was more than we have ever had at one gathering. The first day the books were opened for registration, more than 150 Negroes from this area visited the registration office. Approximately one out of ten were successfully registered. All of these people were instructed and the requirements reviewed before they went to City Hall. The office hours at City Hall was 9 A.M. until 4 P.M. the first three days. At 2:30 P.M. with more than seventy-five Negroes waiting in the corridor to go into the registration office, the policeman stated that only eight more could be served before the office closed. Negroes are called into the office one and sometimes two at a time by this cop, who is extremely rude. He told the Negroes waiting in line that they had better know their ward and precinct numbers or they would have to go at the end of the line. Yesterday, Mrs. Collins had some words with him. He told her she could not teach anyone in the corridor. She replied that she brought the people to the registration office and was waiting to learn if they were successful in becoming registered. He told her don't answer me back or I'll run you in right now, if you're waiting for them, do it outside. We have to do a thorough job of convincing our people they should register and vote. After they stand in line for a couple of hours and witness similiar incidents in the corridors, they are extremely nervous when they get into the registration office.

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We continue to have difficulty with Negroes identifying themselves. One registrar was heard to remark, because of the registration schools it is becoming increasingly difficult for them to reject Negroes, so they continue to use the identification angle to preclude giving them the registration tests.

On Wednesday morning more than fifty Negroes were standing in line at 8 A.M. waiting for the registration office to open. Many had to report to their jobs later. Because of the slow process, letting 1 or 2 Negroes in at one time, several had to leave before going into the office.

On September 2, WYES, TV, A.P. Gallinghouse and Mrs.Leda, an official with the League of Women Voters were on a program entitled "Registration Requirements". He is the Registrar of Voters for Orleans Parish. She asked him several questions and he had prepared answeres. He stated that all persons seeking to register will be given fair and impartial treatment, and anyone in line at the close of office hours will be served.

Next week, we will concentrate our activities in Ward 9 - Desire Project. There is a sub-station, registration office, for residents of the 8th and 9th Wards. This station is not close to the project area, but we plan to exert every effort possible to transport the people we have previously instructed to either the main office or sub-station. We teach from ten to twenty-five people in our office each day.

You will note from the enclosed financial report that our funds are exhausted. We had to use escrow tax funds to meet our payroll this week. We need to hear from you, Mr. Branton.

Enclosed are newsclippings from the Louisiana Weekly Newspaper.

Yvonne Minor

Every Eligible American Urged To Register, Vote

8/29/64 La. Weekly

The Coordinating Council of Greater New Orleans in a newsletter this week urged all eligible persons to register and vote.

The CCGNO newsletter was delivered the same day President Johnson in Washington appealed to every eligible American to register and vote because "voting is the first duty of democracy."

The President sounded the appeal at a White House ceremony attended by about 170 political, civic, business and government leaders -- a bipartisan group that included the Democratic and Republican national chairmen.

Too many citizens, the President said, disregard the duty to vote and the statistics on it are shocking.

That, he said, is why a voluntary movement of citizens is needed, to make sure none fails to register and fails to vote because he failed to understand the importance of it. He called it "this unfinished business on the agenda of democracy."

Meanwhile, the CCGNO's newsletter, dated last Friday, pointed out, "If others can give their lives for thecause of freedom, first-class citizenship and the right to vote, you can give a little of your time and at least make an attempt to register."

It pointed out that only 24 days are left to register before the election in November. Registration rolls will be open from Sept. 1 through Oct. 2, then will close according to law for 30 days prior to the election November 3.

The main office of the Registrar of Voters is in the City Hall, 1300 Perdido Street, Room 1E03, opposite the Sewerage and Water Board's office, the newsletter pointed out. Residents of the Eighth and Ninth Wards may register at the sub-station located at 8500 Chef Menteur Highway. Residents of the 15th Ward may register at the Algiers Courthouse, 225 Morgan St.

Further, the CCGNO's newsletter urges persons who need instructions on how to register and vote to visit the council's offices at 1453 North Claiborne Avenue, or the Longshoremen's Registration School at 503 1/2 South Rampart Street.

The Registrar of Voters' office will be open from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m., September p, 2 and 3. From Sept. 4 through October 2, the hours will be from 9 a.m. ti 8 p.m., the CCGNO newsletter stated.

Register Now- Vote In November !

8/9/64 La. Weekly

Public attention and much political speculation are being focused with ever-increasing intensity on the Presidential Election next November. This true here in Louisiana where Negroes are expressing much concern over who will be elected -- President Lyndon B. Johnson, the Democratic Party's standard - bearer, or Senator Barry M. Goldwater, the Republican Party's nominee.

The Louisiana Weekly regards this concern as a healthy sign from a political viewpoint, but it also is of the opinion that Negroes of Louisiana are putting the cart before the horse when they worry about the November election rather than about attempting to have more Negroes registered now and ready to vote later.

Voter registration, over the nation, is at this time recognized as a transcendently important activity especially during the thirty-day period beginning August 31. Registration rolls will close on October 2 or thirty days before November 3 election. Thus, the coming four weeks are a "now or never" period for those unregistered persons who desire to indicate their choice at the ballot boxes for President of the United States.

In this regard, the United States Post Office Department, on August 1, issued a "Register and Vote" commemorative postage stamp which focused attention on a national non-partisan campaign to attract more Americans to the polls. Some 40 million Americans of voting age are not registered, according to the American Heritage Foundation.

A recent report of the Southern Regional Council's Voter Education Project disclosed some disconcerting facts about the State of Louisiana in so far as Negro voter registration is concerned.

This report shows there are 514, 589 Negroes of voting age in Louisiana. Of this number, 351,723 or 68.4 per cent are not registered to vote. Only 162,866, or 31.6 per cent are qualified to vote at this point.

But an even more shocking aspect of the report is the fact that Negro voter registration in Louisiana increased by only 6,310 during a two-year campaign.

Here in Orleans Parish there are more than 125,000 Negroes of voting age, yet approximately 36,000 are registered. This means that in New Orleans alone there are some 89,000 potential Negro voters who are unregistered.

The Louisiana Weekly, therefore, gives its full and unqualified endorsement to the recently announced voter registration campaigns of the Urban League, the Coordinating Council of Greater New Orleans, the NAACP, the Congress of Racial Equality and other civil rights organizations.

Further, The Louisiana Weekly believes that the entire month of September should be devoted entirely to getting the 351,723 unregistered Louisiana Negroes -- including 89,000 in Orleans Parish-- on the voting rolls.

Finally, The Louisiana Weekly recommends an early start on this voter registration effort instead of the usual last-minute spurt which leaves thousands waiting outside when the rolls close. Let it not be said when October 2 rolls around, "We ran fast enough; we just didn't start soon enough!"

September 8, 1964

Mrs. Yvonne Minor
Coordinating Council of
Greater New Orleans
P. O. Box 5107
New Orleans 15, Louisiana

RE: VEP 4-23

Dear Mrs. Minor:

Thank you for your letters and reports of August 31 and September 4. We are pleased to know that registration activity is looking up in New Orleans. I talked with Mr. Phil Weightman about your program, and he informed me that Mr. Earl Davis had recently made a trip there, and that additional people are getting involved in registration activity, and that this should help in the over-all program.

I have just talked with Mr. Sterling Tucker of the National Urban League, who tells me that his organization will be spending some money in the New Orleans area, and that he is certain that his group will be working in close connection with the Coordinating Council of Greater New Orleans.

I am enclosing our VEP check in the amount of $2,000, representing payment in full of the final installment of the $5,000 grant which we approved last spring. Even though you will only have to account to us for the balance of the money received from VEP, we will expect you to furnish us with progress reports and keep us fully informed of your activities through the November 3 election. If there is anything which you think we can do to help your program (other than money) then by all means let us know.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:JS
cc: Mr. Phil Weightman

VEP 4-23
$2,000.00

INTEROFFICE REQUEST FOR PAYMENT FORM

Please pay the sum of: TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS ($2,000)

TO: COORDINATING COUNCIL OF GREATER NEW ORLEANS
(Name)

P. O. Box 5107
(Address)

New Orleans 15, Louisiana
(City and state)

Reason for payment: Final installment on $5,000 grant

If departmental or special budget, specify: VEP [illegible]

Payment is general operations, VEP 4-23 project, expense.

Date September 8, 19 64

Requested by: Yvonne Minor

Approved: [signature]
VEP Director
Wiley A. Branton

URBAN LEAGUE OF GREATER NEW ORLEANS
NON-PARTISIAN VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT
1821 Orleans Avenue
New Orleans, Louisiana 70116

Milton L. Upton
Project Director

September 14, 1964

The following list of complaints against the Registrar of Voters Office in New Orleans have been made to us by persons seeking to register:

1. Deputies frequently seen giving assistance to white registrants.

2. Deputies in a number of instances have given misleading information to applicants.

3. Interference and use of degrading language by police. (This matter was taken up with the Supt. of Police and seems to have ceased.)

4. Deputies confuse applicants by shifting them from one deputy to another during the process of applicant trying to register.

5. Some deputies have been prompting applicants to put information in the wrong place.

6. Some deputies have been extremely rude even to the extent of holloring at applicants.

7. One applicant who lives in the 9th Ward went to the office for that Ward (8500 Chef Menteur Highway) and was told she would have to go to City Hall to register.

8. Some deputies require applicants to answer six (6) questions on the citizenship test, while others require them to answer only four (4) questions.

9. There is a lack of uniformity in the type and number of pieces of identification acceptable.

10. Many deputies have told applicants they were rejected because they did not answer the moral questions correctly.

11. Many deputies very quickly glance at applicant's card and say, "you made a mistake, come back in 10 days".

12. One applicant was writing her mother's maiden name on the information section of the card when the deputy yelled at her to put her mother's first name on the card. He then remarked, "all of you people are just alike".

13. We have complaints from people who say they voted last Spring but discovered they had been removed from the rolls when they went to vote in August on the allegation they had moved from their previous address. Complainants state they have not moved.

14. Deputies require applicants to date the line where he (deputy) signs his name.

LEAGUE OF GOOD GOVERNMENT
P.O. BOX 8188
NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA 70122

September 14, 1964

Dear Principal:

As a leader in our community, we are certain you realize the importance of our participation in government. Good government is everyone's responsibility. But we cannot fulfill our obligation to assure representative government unless each citizen 21 years and over is registered to vote and does vote in every election.

In the national election on November 3, 1964, voters will elect the next president and vice-president of the United States. Locally, we will elect a congressman and two members to the School Board and vote on constitutional amendments.

The League of Good Government, a non-profit, non-partisan, women's civic organization is urging you to encourage every member of your faculty and staff who is not eligible to vote to become a registered voter. LOGG is also urging you to devote part of your September Parent-Teacher Association meeting to going through the registration procedure with those present who are not registered voters.

We are confident that you or some member of your P.T.A. is sufficiently familiar with the registration material to explain the procedure. However, if you need any assistance or material, call Mrs. Isidore Wolf at 947-5504 and she will make the material available and also send a member of L.O.G.G. to your meeting.

The Registrar of Voters office at City Hall is open from 9 AM - 8 PM, Monday through Friday until October 3, 1964. During the same hours, residents of Wards 8 and 9 may register at the Chef Menteur Branch, 8500 Chef Menteur Highway.

We hope that you will encourage those who are instructed to go to the registration office as soon as possible and urge all registered voters to vote on November 3, 1964.

Very truly yours,
League of Good Government
Sybil H. Morial
Sybil H. Morial, President

P.S. Enclosed is a list of places where citizens can obtain assistance in preparing themselves to become registered voters. It would be deeply appreciated if you would post this information on your bulletin board.

SAMPLE

STOCK FORM LRS-1-62

Ward No. _____

Prect. No. _____

Cert. No. _____

FORM OF APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION
OFFICE OF REGISTRAR OF VOTERS

RESIDENCE _____

I am a citizen of the United States and of the State of Louisiana.

My name is Mr.—Mrs.—Miss _____. I was born in the State (Country) of _____, Parish (or county) of _____, on the _____ day of _____, in the year _____. I am now _____ years, _____ months and _____ days of age. I have resided in Precinct No. _____, in Ward No. _____ of the Parish continuously since _____, in this State since _____, and in this Parish since _____. I am not disfranchised by any provisions of the Constitution of this State. The name of the householder at my present address is _____ My occupation is _____. My color is _____. My sex is _____. I am not now registered as a voter in any other Ward or Precinct of this State, except _____. My last registration was in Ward _____ Precinct _____ Parish _____. I am now affiliated with the _____ Party.

In each of the following items the applicant shall mark through the word "have" or the words "have not" so that each item will show a true statement about the applicant.

I have (have not) been convicted of a felony without receiving a full pardon and restoration of franchise.

I have (have not) been convicted of more than one misdemeanor and sentenced to a term of ninety (90) days or more in jail for each such conviction, other than traffic and/or game law violations, within five years before the date of marking this application for registration as an elector.

I have (have not) been convicted of any misdemeanor and sentenced to a term of six (6) months or more in jail, other than traffic and/or game law violations, within one year before the date of making this application for registration as an elector.

I have (have not) lived with another in "common law" marriage within five years before the date of making this application for registration as an elector.

I have (have not) given birth to an illegitimate child within five years before the date of making this application for registration as an elector. (The provisions hereof shall not apply to the birth of any illegitimate child conceived as a consequence of rape or forced carnal knowledge.)

I have (have not) acknowledged myself to be the father of an illegitimate child within five years before the date of making this application for registration as an elector. I do hereby solemnly swear or affirm that I will faithfully and fully abide by all the laws of the State of Louisiana, so help me God.

Signature _____

Sworn to and subscribed before me: _____

(Deputy) Registrar

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Date _____ Address _____ Ward No. _____ Prect. No. _____ Cert. No. _____

Date _____ Address _____ Ward No. _____ Prect. No. _____ Cert. No. _____

Date _____ Address _____ Ward No. _____ Prect. No. _____ Cert. No. _____

CHANGE OF NAME

I am now Mr.—Mrs.—Miss _____ Date of change _____

Nature of change _____

REMARKS

_____

_____

The following information forms no part of the application but is for use of the registration records:

Parish of _____, State of Louisiana. Date _____, 19____.

Address _____. Color of eyes _____.

Mother's first or maiden name _____. Name of employer _____

Property owner _____. Tenant _____. Boarder _____.

USE THIS SAMPLE APPLICATION TO FAMILIARIZE YOURSELF WITH OFFICIAL BLANK

SAMPLE

AFFIDAVIT

Form No. 11

Question Form Selected
Circle one

_____, Louisiana Date _____

1 **6** I do solemnly swear that I will faithfully and fully abide by the laws of this State and that I am well disposed to the good order and happiness thereof.

2 **7**

Sworn to and subscribed before me this

3 **8**

_____ day of _____, 196 ___ _____

4 **9** Applicant's Signature

_____

5 **10** (Deputy Registrar)

"Applicant shall demonstrate his ability to read and write from dictation by the Registrar of Voters from the Preamble to the Constitution of the United States of America."

PREAMBLE

We, the people of the United States, in order to form a more perfect union, establish justice, insure domestic tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote the general welfare, and secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America. (Article VIII, 1 (c) (7) La. Constitution)

CITIZEN TEST FOR REGISTRATION

Circle letter indicating your answers to the four numbered questions you have chosen.

1 —	**a**	**b**	**c**	**3 —**	**a**	**b**	**c**	**5 —**	**a**	**b**	**c**
2 —	**a**	**b**	**c**	**4 —**	**a**	**b**	**c**	**6 —**	**a**	**b**	**c**

(La. Constitution, Article VIII, Sec. 1 (d) and LRS 18:31 (2)

(The above qualification test and a registration application form provided for by Act 63 of 1962, (Form LR-1), were received by me from the _____ Parish Registrar of Voters upon my request to register, and I have signed both for acknowledgment and identification with my application to register.)

Date: _____, 196 ___ _____

Applicant for Registration

Ward _____ Precinct _____ Address _____

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CITIZENSHIP

QUESTIONS

for

REGISTRATION

CITIZENSHIP QUESTIONS FOR REGISTRATION

I. Questions on the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Louisiana

A. THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION:

#. The Constitution of the United States places the final authority in our Nation in the hands of—
a.
b.
c. the people

#. The powers granted to the National Government in the Constitution are called—
a. delegated powers
b.
c.

#. The Articles of Confederation are—
a.
b.
c. an early plan of government for the original 13 States

#. The church that we attend is chosen—
a.
b. by ourselves
c.

#. Our Constitution has been changed—
a.
b. by the Congress and the people
c.

#. The mail carrier is paid by the—
a.
b.
c. United States Government

#. Money is coined by—
a.
b.
c. the National Government

#. The Congress cannot regulate commerce—
a.
b.
c. within a State

#. The Congress cannot establish—
a. churches
b.
c.

B. THE LOUISIANA CONSTITUTION:

#. Limits are placed on the right to vote by the—
a.
b. States
c.

#. Our towns and cities have delegated authority which they get from the—
a. State
b.
c.

#. The State Governments have the authority to—
a.
b. set up local governments within the State
c.

#. A citizen who desires to vote on election day must, before that date, go before the election officers and—
a. register
b.
c.

#. The general plan of a State government is given—
a.
b.
c. in its own State constitution

II. Questions on the Legislative Branch of the United States and the Legislative Branch of the State of Louisiana

A. THE LEGISLATIVE BRANCH OF THE UNITED STATES—THE CONGRESS:

#. The chief work of the Congress is to—
   a. make the laws for the Nation
   b.
   c.

#. The Members of the House of Representatives are called—
   a.
   b. Congressmen
   c.

#. The Senators and Congressmen from my State are elected by the—
   a.
   b. voters

#. The Seventeenth Amendment states that Senators shall be elected by—
   a.
   b. the people of the States
   c.

#. Laws for the District of Columbia are made—
   a.
   b. by Congress
   c.

#. The President of the Senate gets his office—
   a. by election by the people
   b.
   c.

#. The number of Representatives from each State depends upon—
   a.
   b. the population
   c.

#. All bills of revenue (tax) must begin in—
   a.
   b.
   c. the House of Representatives

B. THE LEGISLATIVE BRANCH OF THE STATE OF LA.—THE LEGISLATURE:

#. The legislative branch of the State government—
   a. makes the laws for the State
   b.
   c.

#. Most States have a lawmaking body made up—
   a. of two houses
   b.
   c.

III. Questions on the Executive Branch of the United States Government

#. Presidential candidates are nominated—
   a.
   b. by National Conventions
   c.

#. The President is elected—
   a.
   b.
   c. by the people through electors

#. The President must be at least—
   a.
   b.
   c. thirty-five years old

#. The President gets his authority to carry out laws—
   a.
   b. from the Constitution
   c.

#. The President is elected—
   a. for four years
   b.
   c.

#. The name of our first President was—
a.
b. George Washington
c.

#. Each State has as many Presidential electors as it has—
a.
b.
c. Senators and Representatives

IV. Questions on the Judicial Branch of the United States and the Judicial Branch of the State of Louisiana

A. THE JUDICIAL BRANCH OF THE UNITED STATES:

#. The judges of the national courts hold office—
a.
b. for life if they obey the laws
c.

#. The (U. S.) Supreme Court is made up of—
a. 9 Justices
b.
c.

#. United States judges obtain their offices through—
a.
b.
c. appointment by the President with the advice and consent of the Senate

#. In case of impeachment of the President, the officer who would preside at the trial is—
a.
b.
c. Chief Justice of the United States

B. THE JUDICIAL BRANCH OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA:

#. The system of courts in a State is called—
a.
b. the State judiciary
c.

V. Miscellaneous Questions

#. The written statement of the things for which a political party stands is called the—
a.
b. platform
c.

#. Bad government in a democracy is possible if the people—
a.
b. forget to vote
c.

#. A government in which the people delegate authority to chosen officials is—
a.
b. a republic
c.

#. We usually decide public questions in the United States by a vote of the—
a.
b. majority
c.

#. It is important for every voter—
a.
b.
c. to vote for the best qualified candidates

#. A tax on the money a person receives in payment for his labor, or earnings from his property is—
a. an income tax
b.
c.

#. The tax we pay on our property is—
a.
b. a property tax
c.

REGISTER AND VOTE

Are you a registered voter?

You can get assistance at:

1. Urban League (Monday through Saturday from 9 a.m-9 p.m.)
   1821 Orleans Avenue Room 304
   947-5504

2. Coordinating Council (Monday through Friday)
   1453 North Claiborne Avenue
   944-3042

3. ILA Registration School Local 854 (Monday through Friday)
   503½ South Rampart Street

4. Urban League Center (Monday through Friday from 9 a.m-9 p.m.)
   3601 St. Bernard Avenue

5. St. David's Catholic Church (Monday nights, 7 p.m.-9 p.m.)
   2330 Lamanche Street

6. O.P.P.V.L.
   2232 Dryades Street

7. St. Raymond's Catholic Church
   3738 Paris Avenue

League of Good Government
P.O. Box 8188
New Orleans, Louisiana 70122

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

WHEN The registration office will be open for new registrations from September 1st through October 2nd.

WHERE Orleans Parish

City Hall	Room 1E03
Eighth and Ninth Ward Residents	8500 Chef Menteur Hwy.
15th Ward Residents	225 Morgan St. Algiers

(Residents of 8th, 9th and 15th Wards may also register at the City Hall office.)

HOURS -- 9 A.M. to 8 P.M. Mondays thru Fridays

Jefferson Parish

East Bank	Parish Building 3300 Metairie Road
West Bank	New Gretna Court House Gretna, Louisiana

HOURS -- 9 A.M. to 1 P.M., and 2 P.M. to 8 P.M., Mondays thru Fridays

HOW Please read the enclosed "Registration Procedure" pamphlet for detailed registration information.

Note: A person can register if he or she will be 21 before November 3rd, and meets resident requirements.

Identification - A person must bring some paper, such as driver's license or social security card, which shows present address and signature.

Rev. Upton
Urban League
New Orleans, La.

Registration Procedure

THESE ARE THE PRESENT RESIDENCE REQUIREMENTS FOR REGISTRATION IN LOUISIANA:

1 year in the State

6 months in the Parish

3 months in the Precinct

(4 months in the City, to vote in municipal elections)

THIS IS THE PRESENT REGISTRATION PROCEDURE IN LOUISIANA:

1. You are required to register without any help. The Registrar has instructions to exclude all but the applicants from the Registration Office.

2. You are required to identify yourself. Your identification should bear your present address. Acceptable identifications are drivers' licenses, current telephone or electricity and gas bills, school or employment I.D. cards, bank books, rent receipts, time-payment cards, etc.

3. When the Registrar gives you the affidavit form (Form No. 11), you are required to sign it where indicated.

4. On the same Form No. 11, you read a part of the *Preamble of the U. S. Constitution* and write a line from it, as directed by the Registrar.

5. Next, you choose 1 of 10 cards that will be turned face down by the Registrar. He will circle the number of your card on Form No. 11. Each card bears 6 questions, which are numbered 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6. Under each number there are "a," "b," and "c" answers, one of which is the correct answer to the question.

6. You choose your answer, but are not allowed to write on the question card. You circle the letter of the answer you have chosen on Form No. 11. You are required to answer 4 of the 6 questions correctly, but may answer 5 or 6 questions if you prefer.

7. You will have completed Form No. 11 when you have filled in your parish, the date, your signature (according to the Registrar's instructons, if you are a married woman), your Ward and Precinct (which the Registrar will give you), and your address.

8. Now, the Registrar lets you choose 1 of 5 Application Forms. These 5 cards are not different in content; they are different only as to the order in which the information is requested.

9. At the bottom of this Application form and on the back of the card are the 6 character and moral questions. To answer these, you are required to strike out either the "have" or the "have not," either of which may come first on any question.

10. BE SURE TO FILL IN EVERY BLANK.

SAMPLE QUESTION CARD

1. The President of the Senate gets his office—

a. by election by the people.

b. by election by the Senate.

c. by appointment by the President.

2. The Congress cannot regulate commerce—

a. between states.

b. with other countries.

c. within a state.

3. The Articles of Confederation are—

a. the Constitution we now have.

b. a plan for State Government.

c. an early plan of government for the original 13 states.

4. The President is elected—

a. by the Congress.

b. by the direct vote of the people.

c. by the people through electors.

5. Each state has as many Presidential electors as it has—

a. Senators.

b. Representatives.

c. Senators and Representatives.

6. Our Constitution has been changed—

a. by the President.

b. by the Congress and the people.

c. by the Supreme Court.

URBAN LEAGUE OF GREATER NEW ORLEANS
1821 Orleans Avenue
New Orleans, Louisiana
Telephone 947-5504

Date of Application_____

INFORMATION ON VOTER REGISTRATION REJECTION

Name_____

Address_____

Telephone Number_____Age_____Sex_____

Occupation_____Education_____

Type of Identification Offered_____

_____

_____

_____

Reasons Rejected_____

_____

_____

_____

How many cards given_____Was card destroyed by Deputy Registrar?_____

Property Owner_____

Length of Residence in State_____In Parish_____

What words were you asked to define?_____

_____

_____

What phrases of either the State or Federal Constitution were you asked to interpret?_____

_____

_____

What branch of Military Service have you served in?_____

How long?_____

List other disqualifying Factors:_____

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FILE: JLT Field Trip Reports
White copies: First portion - VEP 4-23 (Coordinating Council)
Second portion - VEP 4-10 (CORE)

WB
JM
JD

September 21, 1964

M E M O R A N D U M

To: Wiley A. Branton

From: Joe L. Tucker

Re: FIELD TRIP TO NEW ORLEANS AND BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA
9/14 to 9/16/64

In a conference with WAB, it was determined that I should embark by plane to check voter education projects in New Orleans and Baton Rouge, Louisiana. WAB expressed dissatisfaction with the progress of the voter project in New Orleans, and wanted evidence of voter registration activity being done by Ronnie Moore and staff of CORE.

In New Orleans, WAB wanted to know:

A. What is going on in voter registration. He gave me, from our files, the following contacts to see:

1. Rev. Milton L. Upton, who is project director of the Urban League voter registration project.
2. Atty. Ernest Morial, president of the local NAACP.
3. Mrs. Yvonne Minor of the Coordinating Council of Greater New Orleans.
4. Ronnie Moore of CORE in Plaquemine or Baton Rouge, Louisiana: Find out what they are doing toward increasing voter participation by the people.

WAB stated he wanted me to "play it by ear" in getting a clear picture of activity in voter registration in southern Louisiana. While discussing voter registration with the contact sources, I made inquiries about modes of operation and techniques employed by the various organizations working in voter registration.

I rented a car (National) in New Orleans, and drove to Baton Rouge, then returned to New Orleans.

I talked to Rev. Upton (Director, Urban League of New Orleans voter registration project), and he gave me a oral picture of voter registration in New Orleans. He said it was very difficult for people to register. (See enclosed registration procedure folder). Rev. Upton expressed a feeling that Negroes in New Orleans have just given up because it was so hard to pass the registration test. Enclosed

is a list of complaints made by persons trying to register. The applicants say the registrars are rude and impolite to Negroes while being very helpful to whites.

Rev. Upton has people (volunteers and also paid personnel) working in two predominantly Negro housing areas doing door-to-door canvassing. He expressed how a lot of money is being spent with little results being obtained due to the difficulty at the registrar's office.

There are other groups (see attached list) that are working in voter registration in New Orleans. It is a combined effort.

There are two ladies who are in the League office most of the day to give instructions and explain to people the registration procedure. Places of instruction have been printed in newspapers, and made known by radio.

Rev. Upton feels that the only way a more successful registration program can be carried on in New Orleans is for a suit to be brought against the various registrars for violating individuals civil rights. The registrar's office is open from 9 a. m. to 8 p. m. five days a week until the books close.

Rev. Upton cannot, at this time, give a figure for the number of people registered [redacted]. He cited an instance when he carried to the registrar's office, 176 persons who had completed the voting registration instructions - only two passed the voting test. Rev. Upton retracted his statement regarding his inability to estimate or give a figure on the number of people taken to the registrar's office by stating that 1,000 had been taken, and out of this number, only 400 passed the registration test.

Throughout my visit with Rev. Upton, he continuously extolled the greatness of Rev. Milton L. Upton (himself), the people he knew, the way he does things for the public, his great sacrifices for the people of New Orleans, and his accomplishments, of which he stated many. He has brought together in one concerted effort the eight organizations working on voter registration in New Orleans so as not to duplicate efforts. Although each organization has its own project and maybe some funds, they are working together and look to Rev. Upton for general leadership and guidance in the voter registration drive. An assessment of the validity and increase of registered voters through this program cannot be made at this time.

Another contact in New Orleans was Ernest Morial, attorney, local president of NAACP. Mr. Morial feels that more money has been spent on high salaries in the CCGNO office rather than paying people to work in the field. Morial feels that Rev. Upton doesn't have the necessary understanding and dedication to do a good job as director of the Urban League voter project. Morial said when Rev. Upton was with the CCGNO, he did a fine job but now has lost his effectiveness. Morial feels that the officers in the CCGNO are "feathering their own nest" through the CCGNO and its funds. He feels a greater increase of regostered voters should show on the registration books. Morial stated that he didn't think the CCGNO was doing much of anything now. He compared the CCGNO with the League of Good Government, a ladies civic organization of which Mrs. Morial (his wife) is president. He said they had done more than the CCGNO toward promoting registration in their short period of existence as compared to the CCGNO, which is an organization of long-standing.

Mr. Morial stated that the chairman, Cecil Carter, hasn't called a meeting formally in over two years. CCGNO business has been discussed and handled by a "select" group of individuals favored by Malcolm McDonald. Mr. McDonald is Treasurer of CCGNO but controls the chairman and makes most of the decisions. Mrs. Minor is just a secretary, but is unknowingly placed somewhat in the front of the organization while the real control and decision making is done from the background by McDonald.

Morial mentioned how the registrars purge the voting lists, but still feels an increase could be made in putting more registered people on the books, if money for this purpose of increasing voter registration could be administered by persons of greater ability and sincere interest.

Mr. Amedee (Earl J., attorney) came into Mr. Morial's office while I was there and expressed his views on voter registration in New Orleans. He voiced the same attitudes as did Mr. Morial, but only in more fervent terms. He stated that the CCGNO has received a lot of money, and all the people over there were getting rich, and nobody getting registered to vote. Mr. Amedee boasted of what he would do and how many people he could get on the registration lists if he were in charge of the funds. He, too, felt that Rev. Upton should not direct the Urban League voter project because he doesn't have the necessary effectiveness to promote the program.

I talked with Mrs. Minor, the administrative secretary of CCGNO, Cecil Carter, chairman, and Malcolm McDonald, Treasurer. Later in

the evening, a worker, Mr. Plummer came by the meeting site and joined in the conversation.

Mrs. Minor is going into the hospital tomorrow (9/15/) for an operation. Mrs. Minor's sister will perform the secretarial duties while she is hospitalized.

I asked the people mentioned above about the staff at CCGNO. It is as follows: One worker, female, paid $60 per week; three other workers, one male, two female, $35 per week, one full-time secretary, $100 per week, and one assistant secretary (Mrs. Minor's sister), $35 per week. They have three white volunteers working in the drive.

Mr. McDonald tried to make one point very clear to me. That is, the CCGNO spends VEP grant money only to pay salaries of people and other expenses connected solelywith voter registration. After the recent grant, they received from VEP (9/8) they only have $300 left.

All persons participating in this informal conference felt that the problem in New Orleans is a lack of concern on the part of Negroes, the Negro's fear of economic reprisals if they register, the registration test being so diffuclt, and a general lack of civic participation on the part of some Negroes in New Orleans.

The CCGNO has no answers to the voter registration problems in New Orleans. They plan to continue their efforts, however.

The CCGNO did door-to-door canvassing in the last voter drive in which names, addresses, and telephone numbers were listed. These people were then instructed at the voter school. Now the CCGNO is trying to get these people to go down and register and vote.

McDonald said every time any organization or a large number of individuals get on the voting list, the registrar's office will purge twice as many, and put the CCGNO right where it started. The registrar's office will purposely, so I'm told, send a notice to a registrant at the wrong address, when the applicant doesn't show up to correct his or her address, they are then purged from the voting lists.

The CCGNO feels it has done, and is doing, everything they can to get Negroes registered to vote. While not being pleased with the fruits of their labor, they are still trying and hoping a new day for voter registration will come to New Orleans.

McDonald and Carter claim to receive no salary. They stated how they have placed some of their own personal funds into the CCGNO in

time of need. McDonald mentioned the last paragraph of a letter WAB sent the CCGNO asking them to call on VEP for reasons other than money if they need our help. McDonald stated "Thats where we need it most - I wonder could we get some more if we needed it?" I literally ignored his question in a tactful way. The people I talked to in the CCGNO discredited the other organizations while attempting to credit the CCGNO with all glory for voter registration in New Orleans. In turn, the other organizations whose representatives I talked to made a few denunciations of the CCGNO and its leaders.

These people in the CCGNO seem to be working, or at least their presence is known about in the community through the paid workers in the field. Seemingly, the CCGNO field people work and finally get two persons registered after three or four attempts, then find that five were purged from the voting list.

In talking with one paid worker, a Mr. Plummer, and he got 43 names of persons who had already been instructed in the registration procedure to promise to go with him to the registration office Monday night. He got 36 excuses of which he made a note on his address list, and 7 persons went to register of which 2 passed. The other 5 cannot make another attempt for 10 days. When the registrar fails an applicant who is attempting to register, he is covered by Louisiana law in not telling the applicant why he failed, even when asked.

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Baton Rouge, Louisiana:

Ronnie Moore is a very difficult person to contact for consultation on the CORE project. He is seemingly all over the state at one time. After experiencing maximum difficulty, I finally met Mr. Moore in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. He was involved in moving the state office of CORE from Plaquemine, Louisiana, to Baton Rouge. This process had recruited most of the state staff, and they were as busy as ants trying to finish and return by nightfall to their respective assignments for night meetings and instruction schools. The address of the new state CORE voter office is:

CORE
P. O. General Delivery
Louise Street Branch
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

I am to be notified of the phone number when it is installed.

Mr. Moore expressed to my satisfaction that his staff is working in the field to increase voter registration. The CORE staff consists of 17 statewide workers who are paid $25 per week, of which expenses and transportation are to be paid. Mr. Moore, in a proposal to the National CORE office, wishes to increase the number of paid staff personnel to 31.

CORE is concentrating its efforts in two areas, the 5th and 6th districts.

In the 5th District, the workers are assigned as follows:
Ouachita - (Monroe, Louisiana, 5 workers.)

In the 6th District:
1st ward - East Baton Rouge (4 workers)
Iberville Parish - (2 workers)
Ascension - (2 workers)
Pointe Coupee (1 worker)
East Feliciana)
West Feliciana) - (2 workers)
St. Helena)

Mr. Moore stated he would fill requests with his staff to help local civic groups in the following:

Tangipahoa
St. Tammany
Washington
Livingston

These staff persons canvass and get people to come out on a designated night for registration procedure instructions, then take them to the registrar's office to register. The staff, as estimated by Mr. Moore, usually contact at least 2200 non-registered persons a month, of which about 300 get registered.

The CORE staff members are faced with four main problems: 1) The registration procedure as administered by the registrar and his deputies, 2) The purging of the voter lists every time there is a substantial increase in newly registered voters, 3) A lack of desire after so many attempts have been made to register, and 4) A fear of economic reprisal. (Example - an unfounded fear of being removed from the welfare rolls if an individual registers and votes.)

Mr. Moore has made a proposal to the National CORE office for a $100,000.00 budget (see attached sheets) for Louisiana. He will receive an answer to his request by September 26, 1964. Mr. Moore expressed a feeling that summer projects were fine, but projects the year-round are needed to get the job done in Louisiana. He also said he preferred any grants or funds given to his organization be given to the National CORE, and it would save him administrative time and responsibility. Besides, he states, it would take away from his effectiveness in raising funds if someone would give the Louisiana CORE a small grant. He said, "Although we need money, in fact, we have bills totaling over $500 - a small grant by an agency like VEP wouldn't go very far, and we'd need to ask for more."Then, to eliminate this, we are trying to get one large grant which hopefully will meet our needs."

In talking with some of the CORE staff members who could be reached, they voiced some of the same feelings, goals, and disappointments as did Mr. Moore. Attached is a list of the present CORE staff in Louisiana.

JT:js
Attachments.

October 19, 1964

Mrs. Yvonne Minor,
Administrative Secretary
Coordinating Council of Greater
New Orleans
1453 North Clairborn Avenue
New Orleans, Louisiana

RE: VEP 4-23

Dear Mrs. Minor:

Thank you for the financial reporting and your letter of October 14.

We were sorry to learn of your need for surgery, and we certainly trust that you are greatly improved, and more on the road to recovery.

With every good wish for improved health and happiness, I am,

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:js

October 15, 1964

Mrs. Yvonne Minor
Coordinating Council of
Greater New Orleans
1453 North Clairborn Ave.
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Mrs. Minor:

Re VEP 4-23

Since your program has now ended, it will be necessary for us to have a final financial accounting and refund of any unused portion of your 1VEP funds remaining in your bank account.

Mr. Branton has requested that I also ask you to send final progress reporting as quickly as possible.

Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

Jean Levine
Fiscal Assistant

~~Return letter to~~ — WO

October 14, 1964

To: Mr. Wiley A. Branton

Had to undergo major surgery a few weeks ago. Will forward progress report on Voter Education - Registration activities as soon as possible.

Many thanks for your cooperation and understanding.

Yvonne A. Munn, Adm. Secretary
Coordinating Council of Greater New Orleans

WB

COORDINATING COUNCIL of GREATER NEW ORLEANS

P.O. Box 5107
New Orleans 15, Louisiana
Phone: 944-3042

October 27, 1964

OCT 26 1964

Mr. Wiley A. Branton, Director
Voter Education Project
Room 206 - 5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton:

We regret that the Voter Education Project will be discontinued after the current year. We want to express our thanks to VEP and particularly you for the financial assistance given to our local Voter Education-Registration Project.

During the period the books were open, thousands of Negroes applied for registration. The same tactics prevail in the Registrar of Voters Office. Only a small percentage were successfully registered. I informed you in previous correspondence of the purge list of 5,000 plus that appeared in the daily newspaper a few weeks before the books closed. The majority of these people were Negroes. We were able to contact some and get them to maintain their voting rights, however, many had moved to another city.

Registration statistics - Orleans Parish -- October 23, 1964 as follows:

TOTAL 197,951 WHITE 162,127 NEGRO 35,824

Our previous total was 35,072. You can readily see that the people we successfully register and those removed from the voting rolls just about balance.

During this election year, our interest in political activity has increased. Even though thousands of Negroes attempted to register, many others have not exhibited any interest whatsoever. Of course, this is not encouraging because of the Presidential election and local mayoralty election in 1965.

We hope that if we are able to continue our registration program, one day in the not too distant future a sizeable increase will reflect in our total registration.

We have continued to show the movie film "Right Now". We would like to continue using this movie. If this is not feasible, same will be sent to you upon request.

I note from VEP correspondence that all funds not used must be returned. We have to pay withholding taxes for the third quarter of 1964. Should there be any funds left, we will comply with your request.

Taxes pd. 10/29/64
Bal. $216.41 to be refunded

Sincerely yours,

Yvonne A. Munox

Photo copy made for Research files.

VEP 4-23

Coordinating Council of Greater New Orleans
October 27, 1964

Disbursement of VEP Funds - Check # 250

Voter Registration Parties - Wm. J. Guste Homes and Desire Project

25 cases of Soft Drinks @ $1.65 per case (For Guste Homes and Desire Project)		$ 41.25
150 Buns		4.12
200 Weiners	$9.75 plus .29 tax	10.04
1 Large Yellow Mustard		1.03
1 Large Brown Mustard		1.03
3 Boxes of Mixed Cookers @ $2.30 per box		6.90
Paper Napkins		.60
1 lb Coffee		.75
3 Cans Evaporated Cream		.45
2 lbs Sugar		.39

Desire Project

5 Boxes of Mixed Cookies	11.50
Distribution of Handbills - 3 boys @ $3.00 each	9.00
Carfare to Registration Office from Council Headquarters	6.50

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JT ✓
JD
JBM ✓

COORDINATING COUNCIL of GREATER NEW ORLEANS

NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA

P.O. BOX 5107

944-3042

December 3, 1964

Recorded ✓

To: Voter Education Project

From: Yvonne A. Minor

DEC 7 1964

DECISION WAITS ON VOTER SUIT

T.P. December 1, 1964

U.S. Court Takes Case Under Advisement

A special three-judge federal court took under advisement Monday the second phase of a suit brought by the United States Department of Justice attacking Louisiana's voter registration laws.

Under attack is the constitutionality of using the voter application form as a test for registration.

In the same suit, charging discrimination against Negroes, the three-judge panel has already ruled out use of a constitutional interpretation test. It also has forbidden use of a newer "objective citizenship test" in 21 parishes unless a general registration is held.

THREE-JUDGE COURT

Considering the case is Judge John Minor Wisdom of the United States Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals and District Judges Herbert W. Christenberry and E. Gordon West.

During Monday's hearing a witness testified that the Louisiana State Board of Registration has done nothing to advise parish registrars of any changes in policy with respect to the voting provisions of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

The witness was Clarence Jones, assistant director of the state board, who was called as a witness by Sidney W. Provensal Jr., and Edmond H. Fitzmaurice Jr., attorneys for Gov. John J. McKeithen and Lt. Gov. C. C. Aycock, both defendants in the case along with the state board.

SAYS MATTER STUDIED

He was asked by Judge Wisdom if anything has been done by the state board to inform registrars of policy changes with respect to the provisions of the Civil Rights Act. He answered that no steps have been taken along those lines but that the matter is being studied.

Judge Wisdom then read from the brief submitted in the case by Harry Kron, attorney for the state board, which said that the Civil Rights Act of 1964 "corrects all of the abuses complained of."

It is the government's position that the application form test is being used to discriminate against Negroes. It is alleged that Negroes are disqualified from registration when they make immaterial and technical errors on the forms whereas whites are not rejected after making the same or similar mistakes.

JUDGE'S QUESTION

After quoting from Kron's brief, Judge Wisdom said to the witness, "I take that to mean that these errors will no longer be reasons for rejection. I take it to mean that they are slight errors and registrars now know that they must not reject for slight errors."

Jones replied "I take it the registrars can read the Civil Rights Act. I have no idea what changes it will bring about."

The Department of Justice was represented at the hearing by Assistant Attorney General John Doar, and Justice Department attorneys Alexander Ross and Louis Kauder, who did not call any witnesses but submitted the case on briefs and testimony already taken by deposition.

Provensal and Fitzmaurice placed seven witnesses on the stand, including four registrars who testified that they practice no discrimination in administering the application form test.

PARISH REGISTRARS

They included Orleans Parish Registrar A. P. "Tim" Gallinghouse; Miss Mary Ethel Fox, Plaquemines Parish registrar; Mrs. Mildred Bankston, deputy registrar for East Baton Rouge Parish; and Mrs. Maria Millet, deputy registrar for Terrebonne Parish.

The first witness called by the defense was A. P. Tureaud, New Orleans attorney who has represented the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People in numerous racial cases filed in federal court.

He was questioned about schools which have been set up to aid Negroes in filling out registration forms. The attorney said that he was only familiar with such places of assistance set up in New Orleans and that they are open to white persons as well as Negroes.

Clarence Collins, who identified himself as the representative of a group set up by the International Longshoremen's Association to help Negroes register, testified that Negroes have experienced many technical difficulties in attempting to successfully fill out the application form test.

SHY FORMS — WITNESS

He said that the main difficulty encountered by the schools is that they are unable to obtain sample forms from the registrar's office. "They are as scarce as getting gold out of Fort Knox," he asserted.

The witness testified that there is only one way that those operating the schools are able to get information on which answers would be accepted on the application form. Negroes who successfully passed the test would return to the school and relate what answers they had filled in on the form.

Collins said that those seeking to register most frequently had difficulty properly calculating their age in years, months and days. Many were also turned down because they improperly filled out the space calling for the name of the applicant's "Householder."

During the hearing Judge Wisdom observed that he knows it to be a fact that a great many nuns are registered to vote. "I wonder who they list as the householder?" he asked.

Judge Wisdom also told the attorneys that he thought they might be able to agree an a consent decree in the matter, admitting among themselves that in view of he provisions of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 the errors which the government charges are used to reject Negroes are not material and technical in nature.

The attorneys were given 30 days in which to file additional briefs or evidence in the form of depositions.

WB

M E M O R A N D U M January 6, 1965

TO: Wiley A. Branton
FROM: Jean Levine
RE: Final Report of Accounting on VEP 4-23
(Coordinating Council of Greater New Orleans)

Grant:		$5000.00
Disbursements:		
Adv. Print. & Prom.	$ 23.75	
Fix. & Equip.	23.98	
Office Supplies	97.24	
Postage	64.40	
Salaries	3892.64	
Trav. & Trans.	198.92	
Tel. & Tel.	168.40	
Publications	2.85	
Federal Taxes	609.18	5089.60
Overaccounted		($ 89.60)

jl

CROSS REFERENCE

Mrs. Yvonne Minor sent in the latest test for registering in Louisiana which was rec'd in this office 2/24/65. The test can be found in the pink Registration Data file. js

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③ JUDY ROLLINS

REQUEST FOR COPY OF REGISTRATION TEST AND ANSWERS

Prospective registrants (or re-registrants) should submit this form to the Registrar together with self-a ddressed stamped envelope, at the time of registration.

* *

To: Registrar of _____ Parish, Louisiana

Re: Request for Copy of Registration test and answers

I, _____, pursuant to the provisions of Section 101 (c) (ii) of Title I of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, do hereby request _____, Registrar of _____ Parish, Louisiana, or anyone acting in such capacity, to furnish this applicant with a certified copy of the registration test and of this applicant's answers to this test within 25 days of receipt of this request. I took this test on _____, 1964.

_____
Applicant's signature

Submitted to the Registrar this ____ day of _____, 1964.

Name_____ Address_____
of Applicant of Applicant

Attached: Self-addressed, stamped envelope.

V O T E R ' S R E C O R D

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____

STATE _____

WARD _____ PRECINCT _____

ATTEMPTED TO REGISTER _____
Date

RESULTS _____

SCHOOLING _____ AGE _____

CLINIC ATTENDANCE _____

REGISTRATION RECORD AND COMMENTS _____

_____

_____

_____

_____

_____

DATE _____

CANVASSER'S NAME _____ PARISH _____

AREA (WARD) _____ STREET OR ROUTE _____

NO. OF PERSONS CONTACTED _____ NO. REGISTERED _____ NOT REGISTERED _____

NAME	ADDRESS	REGIS-TERED?	WILL REGISTER OR CLINIC-WHEN?	COMMENTS - INTEREST PHONE, CAR, ETC.

PARISH_____

COMPLAINT INFORMATION

Name_____

Address_____

Length of Residence_____ Schooling_____

Date of application_____ Time_____

Name of Registrar_____

Comments_____

_____

_____

Parish_____

COMPLAINT INFORMATION

Name_____

Address_____

Length of Residence_____ Schooling_____

Date of Application_____ Time_____

Name of Registar_____

Comments_____

_____

_____

 COMPLAINT INFORMATION

1. Did you complete the sixth grade?_____

2. Did you present the registrar credentials proving the completion of the sixth grade?_____

3. Did you request of the registrar a certified copy of your answers within 25 days?_____

Replies from the registrar:

_____

_____

page 2 COMPLAINT INFORMATION

1. Did you complete the sixth grade?_____

2. Did you present the registrar credentials proving the completion of the sixth grade?_____

3. Did you request of the registrar a certified copy of your answers within 25 days?_____

Replies from registrar:

_____

_____

PERSONS TO REGISTRAR'S OFFICE

PARISH_____ DATE_____

NO. APPLIED_____ NO. REJECTED_____ NO. ACCEPTED_____

NAME	ADDRESS	PASS	FAIL	COMMENTS

Centers & Freedom Schools

EDUCATIONAL COMMUNITY CENTERS

I. Location of Centers:
   A. St. Francisville
   B. Monroe

II. Functions
   A. Library

   B. Voter Registration

   C. Information Service
      1. Personal
      2. Legal
      3. Political
      4. Federal Programs (SEDP)

   D. Occupational Guidance
      1. Trades
      2. Techniques and modern trends of farming

   E. Distributing agency of surplus foods

   F. Adult Education Courses
      1. Reading
      2. Writing
      3. Other Subjects

   G. Recreational and Educational outlets for Rural Youngsters
      1. Study clubs.
      2. Social and Civic clubs.

   H. Medical Care.
      1. Distribution of drugs.
      2. Doctor's services
      3. First aid.

III. Mechanics of Program
   A. Staff to be hired in addition to staff required for previously outlined regular program.

   B. Staff to range from 6-8.
      1. 3-4 at Monroe
      2. 3-4 at St. Francisville
      3. Staff to be to some extent specialized, trained and/or informed to carry out proposed functions of the centers.

   C. Free land can be secured for the erection of building in St. Francisville for the center and the building can be constructed by free laborers and/or subsistantly paid laborers.

   D. Regular project cars can be used for transportation whenever necessary.

IV. Budget . . . . . Annual

A. Land donated by people of West Feliciana, East Feliciana and St. Helena parishes.	00.00
B. Cost of building at St. Francisville	8,000.00
C. Rent for building at Monroe	800.00
D. Materials (Excluding donations of books, trade equipment,etc.)	3,000.00
E. 6 Staff persons at $35.00 a week. Persons to be retired specialists if possible. $210.00 per week.	10,920,00
F. Cooperating budget to cover phone bill, stationery, community appeals, stamps, office supplies, etc. $800 a month	7,200.00
TOTAL	$29,920.00

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JUN 24 1964

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: Coordinating Council of Greater New Orleans

Period covered by this report: From June 15 to June 19

Person reporting Yvonne A. Minor

1453 N. Claiborne Ave., New Orleans, Louisiana 70116
Street Address City County State

Date submitted: June 23, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

9th Ward Area - Desire Housing Project
Ward, Beat, etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 92
10 Return Visit

Number instructed at home 60

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places _____ a. Specify places _____

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 45

Number successfully registered by this project this week 30

Number denied registration in this project this week 15

a. Reason for denial Minor mistakes - Insufficient Identification

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate 3

a. Reason for refusing to participate Not Interested

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 2 week period - 46

Number of workers in the campaign Six

Remarks The majority of the people registered to date have made at least two visits to the Registrar of Voters Office.

Registrar of Voters Office open June 22, 23 and 24th. Democratic Primary election July 25, 1964 -- Office reopens July 27th

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VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: Coordinating Council of Greater New Orleans

Period covered by this report: From June 22 to July 5, 1964

Person reporting Mrs. Yvonne A. Minor

1453 North Claiborne Avenue New Orleans, Louisiana, 70116

Street Address City County State

Date submitted: July 6, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Ninth Ward Area - Desire Housing Project

Ward, Beat, etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 104

Number instructed at home 51

Number instructed at clinics 10 - Sunday, July 5th, Protestant Church 9th Ward Area - Rev. Edwards, Pastor

Number instructed other places _____ a. Specify places _____

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 53

Number successfully registered by this project this week 25

Number denied registration in this project this week 28

a. Reason for denial Insufficient Identification - Minor mistakes

Number contacted by other means _____

a. Specify means _____

Number refusing to participate 4

a. Reason for refusing to participate Not Interested

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 3 week period 71

Number of workers in the campaign _____

Remarks _____

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VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: Coordinating Council of Greater New Orleans

Period covered by this report: From July 6th to July 10th

Person reporting Mrs. YVonne A. Minor

1453 North Claiborne Avenue -- New Orleans, Louisiana 70116

Street Address City County State

Date submitted: July 14, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Ninth Ward Area - Desire Housing Project

Ward, Beat, etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 110

Number instructed at home 83 Have received committments from 79 to go to Registration Office on July 27th - Plan on renting bus to transport applicants.

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week Registration Office closed - WIll reopen July 27th

Number successfully registered by this project this week

Number denied registration in this project this week

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate 5

a. Reason for refusing to participate Not Interested

Number of persons successfully registered since the start

Number of workers in the campaign

Remarks Sent letters to pastors where we have had registration clinics requesting that they publish in their Sunday Bulletins, the address of our office and the voter registration office and the days the books will be open for registration. Cooperation from pastors encouraging.

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VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: Coordinating Council of Greater New Orleans

Period covered by this report: From July 13 to July 17

Person reporting Mrs. Yvonne A. Minor

1453 North Claiborne Avenue - New Orleans, Louisiana, 70116

Street Address City County State

Date submitted: July 24, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Ninth Ward Area - Desire Housing Project

Ward, Beat, etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 105

Number instructed at home 92

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places _____ a. Specify places _____

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week Registration Office opens Monday, July 27, 1964

Number successfully registered by this project this week _____

Number denied registration in this project this week _____

a. Reason for denial _____

Number contacted by other means _____

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate 3

a. Reason for refusing to participate Not Interested

Number of persons successfully registered since the start _____

Number of workers in the campaign _____

Remarks Enclosed is bulletin from Catholic Church giving information on Voter Registration activities.

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VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: Coordinating Council of Greater New Orleans

Period covered by this report: From July 20th to July 31st

Person reporting Yvonne A. Minor

1453 North Claiborne Avenue New Orleans, Louisiana, 70119

Street Address City County State

Date submitted: August 7, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Desire Housing Project

9th Ward Area

Ward, Beat, etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 141

Number instructed at home 80

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places _____ a. Specify places _____

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 120 - number able to contact to date

Number successfully registered by this project this week 42

Number denied registration in this project this week 78

a. Reason for denial Minor, if any, mistakes, Insufficient Identification

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate 9

a. Reason for refusing to participate Lack of Interest

Number of persons successfully registered since the start

Number of workers in the campaign

Remarks

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VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: Coordinating Council of Greater New Orleans

Period covered by this report: From Aug 3, to August 7,

Person reporting Yvonne A. Minor

1453 North Claiborne Avenue New Orleans, Louisiana, 70119

Street Address City County State

Date submitted: August 7, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: William J. Guste, Jr., Homes, Housing Project

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Ward, Beat, etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 90

Number instructed at home 65

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week Registration Office closed - Reopens September 4th.

Number successfully registered by this project this week

Number denied registration in this project this week

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start

Number of workers in the campaign

Remarks

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AUG 28 1964

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: Coordinating Council of Greater New Orleans

Period covered by this report: From Aug. 10 to Aug. 14

Person reporting Yvonne A. Minor

1453 North Claiborne Avenue, New Orleans, Louisiana, 70116

Street Address City County State

Date submitted: August 21, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: William J. Guste Homes - Project

Second

Ward, Beat, etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 93

Number instructed at home 60

Number instructed at clinics B.T. Washington 35 Night School

Number instructed other places _____ a. Specify places _____

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week Registration Office opens September 1st.

Number successfully registered by this project this week _____

Number denied registration in this project this week _____

a. Reason for denial _____

Number contacted by other means _____

a. Specify means _____

Number refusing to participate 5

a. Reason for refusing to participate Lack of Interest - Old Age

Number of persons successfully registered since the start _____

Number of workers in the campaign _____

Remarks _____

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RHB
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June 4, 1964

Miss Jane Duffin
The Grail
127 Cherry Street
LaFayette, Louisiana

RE: VEP 4-24

Dear Miss Duffin:

This will acknowledge your letter of May 27, 1964 in which you request a grant in the amount of $150 in support of a voter registration program in LaFayette, Louisiana, during the month of June. I am pleased that VEP can make a grant and we enclose herein, our check in ~~full payment~~ of the $150.

We remind you that no portion of these funds may be used in support of or against any particular party, candidate, or legislation. We would like for you to send us before July 10, 1964, a complete discription of your activities, showing the registration results achieved, problems encountered, methods used in getting people to register, and a financial report showing the manner in which this grant was used.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:js

Encl: 1

cc Mr. Henry Cabirac

WB -
~~BLG~~
~~RTB~~
~~JB~~

THE GRAIL

127 CHERRY STREET LAFAYETTE, LOUISIANA PHONE 232-1165

May 27, 1964

MAY 28 1964

Mr. Wiley A. Branton
Voter Registration Project
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton:

In November, 1963 we initiated a Voter Education project which was financed by your office. In June we propose to continue these efforts prior to the closing of the Registrar's Office before the primaires.

During the month of June we are having a fieldwork project for college students from many parts of the country who will be involved in teaching, home visiting, recreation, etc. in five church parishes .

In Lafayette we would like to continue with Voter Education. Many of the local college students are also interested and will work with the students from out of state.

The approach would be a door-to-door campaign to meet the people, inform them of the registration regulations and help them personally with the citizenship test and the statement on morals and character which are required in Louisiana.

I would like to suggest a budget of $150 to cover the expenses during that time.

I shall look forward to hearing from you any suggestions for the success of the program.

Sincerely,

Jane Duffin

Jane Duffin

cc: Henry Cabirac
Southern Field Service

New file
VEP 4-24

IT IS NOT ENOUGH

to be concerned about
our fellowman . . .

We must BE PRESENT
To WITNESS and
To SERVE.

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THE GRAIL

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FEE FOR THE FIELDWORK IS

$50.00

plus traveling expenses

(Perhaps your school, parish, or PAVLA program could sponsor you.)

For more information
WRITE

Miss Lou Collison
THE GRAIL
127 CHERRY STREET
LAFAYETTE, LOUISIANA

SERVE IN THE SOUTH

June 6 -- July 4 IN LOUISIANA

> There is an immense task incumbent on all men of good will —
>
> the task of restoring the relations of the human family, in truth, in justice, in love and in freedom . . . "
>
> Pope John XXIII
> "Pacem in Terris"

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* Working girls
* Those interested in PAVLA or Peace Corps

To Serve Through:

* Social Action
* Religious Education
* Parish Work
* Home Visiting
* Recreation

CONTRIBUTE to the work of the Church in the South **while learning** more about the lay apostolate and history and culture of Southwest Louisiana;

SHARE ideas and experiences with other young women interested in the challenge of the modern world.

After an orientation together to become familiar with the area and its needs,

Fieldwork Volunteers will break up into teams, to work in 6 parishes in Southwest Louisiana.

WB

Southern Field Service

National Catholic Conference for Interracial Justice

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Henry A. Cabirac, Jr.

JUN 12 1964

June 10, 1964

Mr. Wiley Branton
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth St., N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Wiley:

Thanks for your prompt and favorable response to Jane Duffin's request for funds. I am sure that the results they produce will be well worth the small investment.

Yours sincerely,

Henry Cabirac (fl)

Henry Cabirac

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VEP 4-24

July 28, 1964

Miss Jane Duffin
The Grail
127 Cherry Street
Lafayette, Louisiana

RE: VEP 4-24

Dear Miss Duffin:

Thank you for your letter of July 10. We are proud of the work which you have done in voter registration. We have no objection to your mentioning the Voter Education Project or the Southern Regional Council in connection with your story to a Catholic magazine.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:js

WB—

M E M O R A N D U M July 25, 1964

TO: Wiley A. Branton
FROM: Jean Levine
RE: Final Accounting on VEP 4-24 (The Grail)

VEP Grant 6/4/64		$ 150.00
Disbursements:		
Adv. Print. & Prom.	$24.72	
Office Supplies	18.68	
Salaries	71.00	
Trav. & Trans.	35.60	
		150.00

BWN
Return to WB
Photo for SCC

THE GRAIL

127 CHERRY STREET LAFAYETTE, LOUISIANA PHONE 232-1165

July 10, 1964

JUL 15 1964

Mr. Wiley A. Branton
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton:

Enclosed is a report of the Voter Education Project, Lafayette, La., June 8 - 29. I hope the number of registered voters increases during the rest of the summer.

Since we were asked to submit a story on the previous project to a Catholic magazine and never did, there is some possibility of doing one now. I would appreciate any comments you would have about mentioning Southern Regional Council Voter Education Project.

Thank you very much for the grant of $150. I would appreciate your comments regarding the entire project.

Sincerely yours,

Jane Duffin

Jane Duffin

cc: John Sisson
NCCIJ, Southern Field Service

VOTER-EDUCATION PROJECT - LAFAYETTE, LA. - JUNE 8 - 29

Background:

This was a continuation of another project initiated in November, 1963.

It was continued at this time since we were sponsoring a fieldwork in five church parishes for college students in home visiting, teaching, recreation, economic survey and parish census.

Participants:

Two Grail team members from Lafayette.

One teacher and six college students participating in the above project from N.Y., Minn., Iowa and La.

Ten Lafayette Negro students attending the University of Southwest Louiaiana.

Three professors from the University of Southwest Louisiana helped periodically.

APPROACH:

The Negro area was mapped out for a door-to-door campaign. We began in a neighborhood where the people had recently moved from the rural areas. From there we worked in towards the city.

We worked in the evening since more people would be at home and because it was more feasible for all the participants. We met every night at 5:00 pm, divided into two's, usually Negro and white, and covered one section at a time. We stopped about 6:45 pm.

The approach was very personal and most of the time we were warmly received by the people. There was also much apathy and sometimes no interest whatsoever. We stressed the importance of voting, not only for the November election, but also to have more power in local politics, to improve local roads, sewage, etc. in the particular neighborhood.

Many of the people were illiterate. If they wanted help in reading and writing, two of the volunteers visited them again. We plan to put them in contact with the state adult education program. A sample of the Louisiana Voter Registration application and citizenship test was explained and left in each home.

The enclosed data sheet with the following results was used:

People visited:	Registered: Yes	no	Will Register:	Left information:	Follow-up Adult Ed.:
1,027	599	371	227	282	48

The Lafayette Parish Registrar's office closed June 24 prior to a July School Board election. However we continued with the project and encouraged the people to study the information and register after July 28 in time for the November election.

The Registrar's office has recorded 20 registered Negroes during the period of June 1-24.

At the end of the summer we will again check the increase of registered voters.

Follow-up:

The Lafayette Committee on Race Relations is interested in continuing the project during the rest of the summer with the possibility of a college students project to encourage people to vote in November.

Finances:	$150.00
Printing	$24.72
Office supplies	18.68
Transportation	5.50
Car repair, gas	30.10
Coordinator	71.00
	$150.00

May 8, 1964

M E M O R A N D U M

To: Wiley A. Branton

From: Randolph T. Blackwell

Re: BUDGET SUBMITTED BY THE FOURTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT OF S. C.

I don't like the way this budget is put together. There seems to be too much going into the hands of non-registration people. (Rent, telephone, janitorial service, expenditures.)

We must take note of the fact that Laurens, which is the weakest of the counties, will receive the least registration and expenditure; while on the other hand, Greenville and Spartanburg, which have had activity for some time, are to be well financed. There is an argument that can be made for this arrangement, and yet the local people ought to be encouraged to re-think this aspect of their plan.

I would question the desirability of spending $830 for publicity in Greenville and Spartanburg, rather than on individuals in the field.

It appears to me that what we have is a budget that is made up of figures plucked from the air.

It seems to me that the local people ought to take in consideration the fact that Negro people constitute only 23% of the population in the district. And yet, it is true that Greenville and that general area does hold forth some real possibility of political successes in the near future.

I would recommend that we cut this grant to $5,500, point out our own thinking and suggest that the local people re-think its expenditures for publicity.

Randolph T. Blackwell

RTB:js

May 6, 1964

Mr. Harrison L. Rearden
125½ Falls Street
Greenville, South Carolina

Dear Sir:

We have not reached a decision on your budget request for a grant to the Fourth Congressional District VEP as of this date but we will need a blank check showing the name of the bank you will use for this account. Will you please send this to us at once.

We will have special voucher checks printed for your use and then bill your group for the actual cost. Please send us the name of your treasurer or tell us to whom you want the checks mailed.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

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FOURTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA
VOTER REGISTRATION PROJECT

MAY 5 1964

WB—
RTB—What do you think?

May 4, 1964

	Greenville	Spartanburg	Laurens	Congressional Total
Proposed Expenditures:				
I. Staff				
A. Campaign Director--	$ 600.00	$ 600.00	~~$ 400.00~~	$ 1200.00
B. Secreatrial Help--	$ 300.00	$ 300.00	$ 400.00	$ 1180.00
C. Personnel to assist at Courthouse	$ 70.00	$ 70.00		$ 140.00
II. Office Maintenance:				
A. Rent----------	$ 75.00	$ 75.00	$ 150.00	$ 300.00
B. Telephone---------	$ 80.00	$ 80.00		$ 160.00
C. Janitorial Services----------	$ 50.00	$ 50.00		$ 100.00
D. Expendiables------ (Supplies)	$ 150.00	$ 150.00	$ 225.00	$ 525.00
E. Electricity------	$ 15.00	$ 15.00		$ 30.00
F. Signs---------- (Shingles for office)	$ 15.00	$ 15.00		$ 30.00
G. Utilities---------			$ 300.00	$ 300.00
III. Publicity:				
A. Handbills (Releases, Circulars)-------	$ 150.00	$ 150.00	$ 400.00	$ 700.00
B. Amplifier(for sound truck)----------	$ 130.00	$ 130.00		$ 260.00
C. Radio, TV announcements, Newspaper Ads----	$ 100.00	$ 100.00		$ 200.00
D. Postage----------	$ 500.00	$ 500.00		$1000.00
IV. Transportation:				
A. Car Pool-------	$ 100.00	$ 100.00	$ 450.00	$ 650.00
B. Gasoline and Driver for sound truck---	$ 75.00	$ 75.00		$ 150.00
V. Total Proposed Expenditures----------				$6925.00

Respectfully Submitted,
Harrison L. Rearden
Harrison L. Rearden

Suite 4
125½ Falls St.
Greenville, S.C.

WB

MAY 15 1964

Suite 4, 125½ Falls Street
Greenville, South Carolina
May 14, 1964

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT
Mr. Wiley A. Branton, Project Director
Suite 206, 5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton,

After having received your letter dated May 8, 1964, I have reconsidered and reduced the proposed budget in proportion.

You will understand that the attached proposed budget is for the three counties, Greenville, Spartanburg, and Laurens combined. You will also understand that it is for a three month period. The County Boards, Greenville, Spartanburg, and Laurens agreed on this matter and will divide it adequately. As suggested in your letter, we will supplement the $4,000 grant on the local level.

On the separate cover you will receive a check showing the name of the bank we plan to use.

Thank you very much for your consideration.

Sincerely yours,

Harrison Rearden

Harrison Rearden

HR/cw

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FOURTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA
VOTER REGISTRATION PROJECT

May 14, 1964
PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THREE COUNTIES

Proposed Expenditures FOR Congressional District :	Congressional Total
I. Staff	
A. Congressional Campaign Director	$ 900.00
B. Secretarial Help	660.00
C. Personnel to assist at Courthouse	150.00
II. Office Maintenance:	
A. Rent	225.00
B. Telephone	200.00
C. Electricity	45.00
D. Signs (Outside Office)	45.00
E. Expendibles (Supplies)	325.00
III. Publicity:	
A. Handbills (Releases, Circulars, etc.)	450.00
B. Amplifier (for sound truck)	100.00
C. Postage	375.00
D. Radio, Television Announcements, and Newspapers	225.00
IV. Transportation:	
A. Car Pool	275.00
B. Gasoline for Sound Truck	175.00
V. Total Proposed Expenditures for Congressional District	4,140.00

Respectfully Submitted,

Harrison Kearden

May 8, 1964

Mr. Harrison L. Rearden
Fourth Congressional District
Voter Education Project
125½ Falls Street
Greenville, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Rearden:

I have carefully reviewed your budget proposal for a three-month program in the Fouthh Congressional District of South Carolina, and I find your total budget of $6,925 to be far in excess of what VEP can approve, and very much out of line with budgets in the other five districts.

There are several items on your budget which I would not consider as a result of the experience which VEP has had in other areas, including South Carolina. Because of the small area which the Fourth District takes up, it would seem to me that it would be better for you to have one secretary to handle the work for the three counties, rather than a separate secretary for each county. You would then be in a position to pay a more competent secretary a better salary, and at the same time, reduce the cost. You should also consider the possibility of a director or coordinator for the whole congressional district, even though he may have assistance in each county. I wonder why the rent item for Laurens County is double that of either of the other two counties, and in addition to this, you have a $300 utility allowance for this county. I see no reason why you should need $700 for releases and circulars, and still another $525 for supplies. $1,000 for postage is entirely too much, and I would strongly favor more money for expenses for volunteer field workers in making personal contact with prospective registrants rather than to send so many letters.

We have concluded that VEP can approve a grant in the amount of $4,000 for a three-month voter registration program in the

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three counties of the Fourth Congressional District of South Carolina. If you will submit to us a revised budget showing how you intend to make use of the $4,000 grant, together with the check showing the name of the bank you will use, then we will be pleased to approve the grant effective immediately.

If you feel that there are items you want to spend more money on than VEP will allow, then there is no objection to you raising money locally and spending it in any way you desire, but VEP funds will have to be restricted to the items approved by us.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:js

Suite 4, 125½ Falls Street
Greenville, South Carolina
June 1, 1964

JUN 2- 1964

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT
Mr. Wiley A. Branton
Room 206, 5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton,

You will please find enclosed a blank check from the bank we plan to use in The Voter Education Project. I have this morning opened the account in the name of The Voter Education Project which will carry two signatures at all times for all checks being drawn against the account. The signature will be my very own as chairman, and that of Dr. W. F. Gibson as treasurer.

It is with appreciation, Sir, that you have been so tolerant on the matter, for I realize that the hold up has been on this end. We finally had to get another treasurer and one who lives here in Greenville, and one who is really working with the campaign.

I trust this will be sufficient for us to attain the $4,000 grant.

Yours truly,

Harrison Rearden

Harrison Rearden
Chairman

HR/cw
Encl/

May 18, 1964

Mr. Harrison Rearden
409 East McBee Avenue
Greenville, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Rearden:

You stated in your letter of May 14 that you were sending, under separate cover, a check showing the name of the bank you plan to use for the Fourth Congressional District Voter Education Project. We have not received the check, and cannot process your grant until we do.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:js

SOLD TO Voter Educational Project

5 Forsyth Bldg.

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		6-11-64

500 Voucher Checks

Fourth Cong. Dist.

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members of your executive committee or persons active with your registration program, and all inquiries concerning the amount of the grant from reporters or others should be referred to our office. It probably would be best if there was no news release to the effect that you have received a grant from VEP, but you definitely should not deny receiving support from us if anyone should ask. If you feel that you want to release publicity concerning your congressional district program and wish to mention VEP, you should simply state that the "voter registration program is being supported by the Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council," and let it go at that.

It is our understanding that your group will carry on an active voter registration program in every county in the Fourth Congressional District.

The Voter Education Project is a non-partisan program in every sense of the word, and no part of the funds from VEP may be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of nor against any political candidate. This restriction applies whether the political candidate be white or Negro.

You will be required to furnish the VEP office with complete and full information regarding your voter registration, and it is understood that VEP may cancel this program at any time, and require that you pay over to VEP any unexpended funds which you may have on hand.

We are enclosing a copy of this letter, and request that you indicate your understanding of the conditions and restrictions of this grant by signing this copy and returning it to us at once.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

Harrison Rearden

WAB:js

Encls: 3

RECEIVED THIS _____ DAY OF
JUNE, 1964
SIGNED: See next page for signature

Voter Education Project

A PROGRAM OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

ROOM 206 / 5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. / ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

June 11, 1964

Mr. Harrison Rearden
Chairman
Fourth Congressional District
Voter Education Project
Suite 4
125½ Falls Street
Greenville, South Carolina

RE: VEP 4-25

Dear Mr. Rearden:

Shortly after our telephone conversation this morning, we received from the printer the 500 voucher checks, and we are placing them in the mail today so that you should receive them by Saturday or next Monday, at the latest. We have approved a $4,000 grant for a three-month voter registration program in the Fourth Congressional District of South Carolina, which is to run from June 15 until September 15, 1964. We are enclosing our initial check in the amount of $1,400 and will send you installments of $1,300 each on or about the 15th day of July and August.

The proceeds of this check and all other funds coming from VEP should be deposited in a special account which you set up, and you should not deposit or mix other funds with this account. If your organization is going to raise money locally, then you should keep that money in a separate account. You should use your voucher checks in numerical order, beginning with No. 1, and they should always be filled out in accordance with the financial instructions which we are enclosing herein. Please have whoever is to handle the financial matters to read these instructions carefully and follow them to the letter. You will note that we require weekly financial reporting to VEP at which time you are to send us a carbon copy of each voucher check written or voided.

We prefer that you not release any publicity concerning the amount of the grant which we are making to you other than to

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June 16, 1964

Mr. Harrison Rearden
Fourth Congressional District
Voter Education Project
~~[illegible]~~ 125½ Falls Street
Greenville, South Carolina

RE: VEP 4-25

Dear Mr. Rearden:

We are sending, under separate cover, a supply of research reporting forms. We request that you submit a report on each county in the Fourth Congressional District nonlater than the 10th of each month, commencing on July 10. We believe the items on the forms to be self-explanatory, but feel free to question or make comments.

At the conclusion of your project, we will expect a comprehensive narrative report. The outline for this report is enclosed.

Let us know if we can be of assistance to you.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Barbara I. Whitaker
Research Assistant

BIW:js

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Box 1778 South Carolina
State College
Orangeburg, S. C.
July 1, 1964

Mr. Harrison Rearden, Chairman
4th Congressional District V. E. P.
P. O. Box 284
Greenville, S. C.

Dear Mr. Rearden:

It surprises us very much that you have not taken care of your promised share in the expenses of the state wide meeting held in Columbia May 30, 1964.

Upon your request we sent you a bill for $76.50 which represented your agreed upon share. Please let us hear from you at an early date.

We plan to call the state wide officials in session soon regarding the future of the V. E. P. in S. C.

Yours very truly,

C. H. Thomas, Jr.

C. H. Thomas, Jr.
State Chairman V. E. P.

CHT/pj

cc: Mr. R. T. Blackwell, Field Director
Rev. I. D. Newman

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WA
BW
RTB

TO: WAB

April 28, 1964

FROM: JD

RE: Field trip to Fourth Congressional District of South Carolina including the Counties of Greenville, Spartanburg, and Laurens, April 22, 23, and 24.

RTB and I arrived in Greenville April 22 from Huntsville about 11:00 P.M. and obtained accommodations at the Negro Ghana Hotel. The next morning, after eating breakfast, we went to the Greenville County Political Action Committee's office which seemed to accommodate most of the town's business and professional services and some social organizations.

We were very graciously received by Mrs. Walker who already knew RTB and who called most of the important people in the community who figured in the recent registration drive which produced 3600 Negro registrants.

Soon arrived at the Greenville County Political Action Committee's office (125½ Fall Street, in the Benevolent Building) were Mr. Harrison Rearden, who is a Pilgrim Health and Life Insurance man at 409 E. McBee Avenue, Greenville, South Carolina; Reverend Brockman, who is a ministerial teacher and is active in the local NAACP; Atty. Sampson, who is the Negro candidate for the House in the South Carolina Legislature; Dr. Gibson, who is treasurer of the local organization, and Reverend C. Francis.

RTB then proceeded to explain why we were there. Dr. Givson was at first a little hostile, which I shall later explain, but he warmed up after we finished making our statements. RTB, before Rearden arrived, explained the history of the congressional district concept and that the other districts have begun to function except that of the Fourth Congressional District.

We then learned that there had been meetings of the Fourth Congressional District; leaders had been chosen two months ago and a recent meeting had been held two weeks ago.

RTB informed the group that he had received no response from his letters. Dr. Gibson stated that he had received no information about the Fourth Congressional District's set-up. Further discussion was halted until Rearden appeared. After Rearden came, the lack of communication was explained by Rearden's being busy in Sampson's campaign

and that his information about the Fourth Congressional District probably was attached to NAACP reports for Greenville County and RTB speculated that the information went into our files unnoticed.

Everyone agreed to the congressional district method but RTB insisted that VEP does not think in sums of money but programs, and that there must be a proposed itemized budget for a program which VEP must consider before approval, that VEP funds cannot be involved in politicing in any manner, that there must be separate accounts, separate offices, and copies of all checks sent to the VEP as evidence to show that the money is not spent unlawfully or in support of a candidate or party. There was a general discussion about the above points which everyone agreed upon the need of the separation of the two activities. It was now after 1:00 P.M. and RTB took his leave. I remained in order to organize a call meeting of the Fourth Congressional District organization. Many of the persons there would not be able to be present for a meeting if it were on a Saturday morning; so it was decided that it would be held sometime on Friday Evening. Accompanied by Dr. Brockman, I then left Greenville by Rented Car to go to Spartanburg, Laurens and Union Counties.

Rev. Brockman, as a teacher and administrator of a Baptist Mission, has much free time which he has devoted to registration and work on behalf of Dr. Givson's candidacy. It was explained to me how Greenville is more liberal than most of the Southern counties of South Carolina, which he thinks is due to a lower percentage of Negroes as against whites. It is my opinion that the answer is too simple in light of the fact that in the past a high percentage of Negroes had been there which did aid producement of discrimination against Negroes, and it has been shown that although the Negro population may have decreased substantially, the anti-Negro feeling remained. Therefore, the "liberal" attitude in Greenville may be due to the "New Image" which many Southern communities are producing in order to attract Northern industry. His example of the liberal attitude there is a bi-racial committee which has integrated the theaters and will soon completely integrate the hotels (for the Omega Phi Psi Convention). The present civil rights concern is school integration suit. Rev. Brockman feels that efforts in integration is mere "tokenism" achieved by the fact that the president of the local NAACP is a member of the Bi-Racial Board and therefore is effectively blocked and controlled, and that the Negro community is beginning to resent his membership.

Rev. Brockman also illustrated the "liberal" attitude of the Greenville community by the fact that his group was allowed to set up a table outside the registration office and fill out the blanks of people who came to register. Whites also came to their table to

register who were registered. Brockman said however that he angered the registrar whereby mistake he instructed a white person to indicate that he was a Negro, which he did.

We arrived in Spartanburg and went to the office of Mr. J. E. Williams, Manager of the North Carolina Mutual Insurance. I stated my purpose, including the history of the Congressional District Method. He informed me that he is not presently active in voter registration, that he would not be able to attend the Friday Evening meeting, but that he would be very happy to allow us to use the Insurance office as a place of meeting. He was busy having a district meeting, but he gave us his wife's address so that she could give us further information.

At Mrs. Williams, she gave us the telephone numbers and addresses of Rev. Harold Cox, Rev. Thornton, and Rev. Johnson. These are persons who have been busy in voter registration. Both Rev. Thornton and Rev. Johnson were out of town. We were able to reach Rev. Harold Cox who we planned to meet for lunch at a drug store. Mrs. Williams indicated that she had been active in voter registration until three or four years ago. She then showed me her books. For a period of three years from 1957 to 1960, she had gone to the registrar's office and copied the names in the book of every Negro who was registered. She indicated that it is against the law in South Carolina to keep records of registrants according to race, yet at the same time, there is a little "c" by every Negro registrant. By 1960, the book showed that there were about 1100 Negroes registered.

We then ate lunch with Rev. Harold Cox. He was one of the local persons (the only one I am sure) who aided Frank Robinson and Brown of CORE in the recent drive in a specific part of the town. I explained to him our program to which he was quite agreeable. He was a young adult and seemed acknowledgeable. He said that there was going to be a play at the high school, which everyone who is active in registration probably would attend. So it was determined that the meeting be at 9:30 P.M. We took Cox home on our way to Laurens.

We arrived in Laurens and first to the home of Rev. E. W. Wright, 720 Settlement Street, after 6:00 P.M. Soon came Rev. James N. Whitmore. We had a general discussion about registration activities in Laurens. They were all proud of having a "Laurens County Citizen's Progressive Improvement Club" which they say the "white folks" respect and is like having an NAACP. They all worked in registration but they could not tell me how many Negroes were registered. They could not come to the Friday meeting but they directed me to Mr. C. E. Beasley, who is directly in charge of registration.

Mr. Beasley owns a funeral home, a service station, and a barber shop where he was waiting to cut a customer's hair when we arrived there. After our discussion, he indicated interest in our program. He said

that he would try to come but told us to see also Mr. Pusely next door, owner of the drug store, and to see Rev. L. C. Butler of Clinton, who is President of the "Laurens County Citizen's Progressive Improvement Club." Mr. Beasley could not tell me how many Negroes were registered, but said that he paid his son to register and that he should know.

It was now getting late and we decided to return to Greenville. We finally realized that my rented car was on fire--the back seat. Probably Rev. Cox had allowed a hot ash from his pipe to get into the seat. We drove to the fire station and a fireman and I took the back seat out and the fire was put out. He said that not many people bring a fire to the fire station. We then left for the Ghana Hotel.

Because the Ghana Hotel was out of town, I decided that it would be better to obtain accommodations within the town. Rev. Brockman suggested the Hotel Poinset, which may be integrated now because its restaurant may be open. After two hours of discussion with the Hotel Manager, and after about an hour of driving trying to find the Ghana Hotel, I reached it and turned in.

On Friday, April 24, I returned to Greenville and called by phone Rev. Cox and Rev. Thornton of Spartanburg and Rev. Butler of Laurens. They all said that they would be at the Friday Evening meeting.

I went to the Greenville Registrar to see whether she could inform me as to how many Negroes were registered. I identified myself, but she became somewhat suspicious or hostile when she saw that I was from out of town, even asking me whether I was a member of the FBI. She told me that it was impossible to know how many Negroes were registered until after May 9, and even then, the information will not be in her hands because her office would be closed. She did say "yes" to the question as to whether the Secretary of State may know then.

After some time in the Greenville Office, I drove to Laurens on the way to Spartanburg in order to talk to the young Beasley who was paid to do registration. His method was to knock on doors, ask whether the person was registered, and then drive the person down to the courthouse. He said that the registrar's attitude is good, and only a very few Negroes have been turned down, and this is because of being convicted of a felony or because the person could not read. He said that he would be at the Friday meeting if his father could not be there.

I arrived in Spartanburg about 6:00 and finally reached Rev. Johnson. He strikes me as being a very intelligent person and is in his early 40's. At his home, we had a discussion and he appeared to be quite concerned about voter registration. Rev. Johnson is the Chairman for

the Fourth Congressional District. His address is 199 W. Park Ave., Spartanburg, South Carolina; telephone: 583-6569. He was concerned about the political activity in Greenville and thought more emphasis should be on voter education.

Rev. Thornton was the first to arrive for the Friday Evening meeting. We had a conversation about registration activities in Spartanburg. He indicated that there was no problem about registration, and that the registrar will give them pads of registration application blanks which they can take around from house to house.

Approximately a few minutes of 10:00 P.M., Rev. Givson, Mr. Rearden, Mrs. Cobbs of the Citizenship School, Miss Walker,,the Secretary of the Greenville organization, Rev. Francis, Rev. Brockman--all from Greenville, and Rev. Johnson and Rev. Thornton from Spartanburg were all present. No one from Laurens was present.

Mr. Rearden presided. After being so introduced, I immediately went into why I was there. I informed them that from our experience in South Carolina, it was best to work there with the Congressional District Method in order to reach all the counties and to develop programs benefitting all the counties. I pointed out, however, that we insisted that they develop their own program and that they itemize a proposed budget which should be sent to us immediately so that we can approve it. There was an understanding that there should be a full-time secretary, two part-time secretaries, and a coordinator to work with all three counties. There was a feeling that there should not be a central office for the coordinator except for his mailing materials, but that he should at least spend equal time among the three counties. There was also an understanding that the coordinator should be outside the area because no one within the area is experienced in voter registration as it should be done, and that it would be agreeable that VEP may suggest a coordinator. Because no one from Laurens was in attendance, Rearden was to send a proposed budget and program immediately after a meeting in Laurens this Thursday, April 30. Rearden also at that time will resign from chairmanship of the Fourth Congressional District because of his identity with the Sampson Campaign, and another chairman wil be elected.

In summary, the people from these counties want to have their own local community organizations to carry out the program of voter registration, and the coordinator not to do the work except to stimulate and to assist. Rev. Brockman and Dr. Givson from Greenville, Rev. Thornton and Rev. Johnson from Spartanburg, and the young Beasley from Laurens all seemed that they will be active if a registration campaign is properly organized.

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July 24, 1964

Mr. Harrison Rearden
Chairman
4th Congressional District VEP
Suite 4
1234 Falls Street
Greenville, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Rearden:

Re VEP 4-25

We have received the invoice for your recent check printing, itemized as follows:

500 Voucher Checks	$22.55
Sales Tax	.68
Total	$23.23

Please reimburse the Voter Education Project for this expense. Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

Jean Levine
Fiscal Assistant

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August 6, 1964

Mr. Harrison Rearden, Chairman
Fourth Congressional District
Voter Education Project
125½ Falls St., Suite 4
Greenville, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Rearden:

Thank you for your letter of July 24 together with copies of your voucher checks. We have also received additional voucher checks since that time.

I was surprised that you did not send some kind of narrative report which would have described your activities in the Fourth Congressional District to date, and which would have told us something of the plans which you have for each county during the August registration period when the books will be opened for several days. I note that a salary has been paid for a secretary, and I would think that this information could be written up and sent to us. Let me impress upon you again that VEP is primarily a research program, and the Fourth Congressional District will be expected to supply us with written reports and other information.

I am sending a copy of this letter to Rev. Nathaniel Brockman, your district director, and I am asking him to reply in the event you are away on reserve training as you indicated. We would like to have the following information at once:

(1) Describe the extent to which each county has organized under VEP, and send us the names and addresses of the principal officials in each county.

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(2) What are the latest registration figures by race in each county, and tell us what goal you expect to reach between now and October 5.

(3) Describe the method you intend to follow in giving financial support in each county. We would prefer that all bills be paid from one central office, but you could send a small petty cash fund to each county of not more than $50 if you thought this was necessary.

I would like to suggest that on all future checks, you should write the nature of the expense only on the voucher portion at the bottom, and it is not necessary to write it on the check portion at the top. Please remove all carbon sheets before mailing themcopies to VEP, as they get smeared in the mail.

I note that we made the original grant of $4,000 on June 11, 1964, for a three-month program, but you indicated on June 23 that your program would not begin until the first Monday in July. We therefore assume that the original grant should enable you to carry on until the October 5 registration deadline. We sent you an initial check in the amount of $1400 and stated that we would send installments of $1300 each on or about the 15th of July and August. Because of your delay in starting your program, we saw no reason to send an installment in July, and we are changing the payments for the other two installments to August 15 and September 15 unless you indicate a need for funds earlier than August 15. It will also be helpful if you would indicate on the voucher portion of the check the county in which the expenditure is being made, but where it is for the entire district such as the secretary's salary or the director's salary, then you just may indicate that it is a district expense.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

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cc: Rev. Nathaniel Brockman

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FOURTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT
Suite 4
125½ Falls Street
Greenville, South Carolina

July 24, 1964

Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
Room 201
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Sir:

May I apologize for not having submitted a report before this time. The reasons for the delay have been that we were striving to get our districts organized on the grass root level. We have this organization near perfection in Greenville County; the other counties, Laurens and Spartanburg have tokkn organizations. We also have copied the registration books in Greenville County, which has been completed.

We have our organization set to really move off on August 3, 1964. The books will be open in Greenville County for ten days. We are hoping, however, that additional time will be necessary, because we are anticipating a mammoth turn out.

I will assure you that the reports will be sent weekly, hereafter.

In references to our telephone conversation, I feel assured that a letter from you to the other county chairmen will be most helpful.

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Very truly yours,

Harrison Rearden

Harrison Rearden, chairman

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Box 2384
Greenville, S. C.
June 23, 1964.

Mr. Wiley A. Branton
Voter Education Project
Room 206 / 5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta 3, Ga.

Re: Grant received $1400.00

Dear Mr. Branton:

As Chairman of the Fourth Congressional District I must state our appreciation to you for the grant received. However none of this money has been used as we are laying our complete plans of operation and ground work first. This as you know includes three counties.

We hope to begin an intense registration campaign beginning the First Monday in July at which time you will begin receiving my District reports. We have one expense item that we will clear this week and that is $76.50 for the South Carolina Voters Educational program held in Columbia at which Senator Johnson was guest speaker (see Mr. R.T. Blackwell).

Yours truly,

Harrison Rearden

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Chairman Fourth Congressional District

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August 12, 1964

Mr. Harrison Rearden
Fourth Congressional District
Voter Education Project
Suite 4 - 125½ Falls Street
Greenville, South Carolina

RE: VEP 4-25

Dear Mr. Rearden:

I am informed that Rev. Brockman phoned the VEP office yesterday during my absence, and indicated a need for additional funds at once. I am enclosing our check in the amount of $1,300, representing payment of the second installment of your total grant in the amount of $4,000 for work in the Fourth Congressional District in South Carolina. We will pay the final installment of $1,300 on or before September 15.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

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THE FOURTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT
125½ Falls Street Suite 4
Greenville, South Carolina

August 13, 1964

PROGRESS REPORT

In the Fourth Congressional District each of the three counties are organized. Greenville is fairly organized down to the block level. Laurens is organized with a leader in every area of the county where there is a concentration of Negroes. Spartanburg County has also organized and is busily spotting key leaders in each community.

The Greenville City and County Crusade for Voter Registration is the organization in Greenville County responsible for organiizing the city and county for the Voter Education Project. We have secured captains in each ward of the city and a precinct leader for each precinct within the wards. The County is divided into 16 townships and a captain in each township is responsible for organizing his township.

Greenville has a complete list of Negro registrants. There were 67,035 registered voters in Greenville County as of May 9, 1964. Of this number 7,059 were Negroes and 59,968 were Caucasian. There are 18,000 Negroes in Greenville County eligible to register. Since May 9, additional Negroes have been registered.

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Progress Report Continued:

Laurens County has approximately 8,450 persons registered, of this number about 3,200 are Negroes and 5,250 are Caucasian. Laurens states that since August 3, 1964 over 1,000 Negroes have registered. There are approximately 16,000 persons eligible to register in Laurens County. This number consist of about 5,000 Negores and 11,000 Caucasian. As you will note these figures are not definite, as soon as I can obtain a definite report on Laurens County I will forward it to you.

The Laurens County Voter Education Project with Mr. J.T.W. Mims as Director has an office at 232 South Livington Street, Clinton, South Carolina. A secretary has been employed and there are 23 area leaders active throughout Laurens County.

After much effort in trying to get Spartanburg County active, finally The Spartanburg Voter Education Project was organized. A number of trips were made to Spartanburg prior to its organization. Mrs. Hattie G. Barksdale, 1631 Union Street, Spartanburg, South Carolina has been secured to direct the project. Mrs. Barksdale is a school teacher. She is now busy spotting leaders in each city ward and county area to interest other people in the program of the County's project. Neither was I able to secure the current figures for Spartanburg County. However, as of 1960 there were 38,280 registered voters in Spartanburg County. There were 4,160 Negroes registered and 34,120 Caucasian.

Up to this point in Greenville County we have had 3 fieldworkers employed for $25.00 each per week to organize the County. Each of these persons were assigned a definite area to supervise. We offered 25¢ per person to those who transported applicants to the Court House. Laurens, I think has a unique set-up. They are

Progress Report Continued:

paying the canvassers in the city 10¢ for each family contacted, In the rural areas they are paying the canvassers 8¢ per mile to the canvassers for every mile he travels canvassing his area. Spartanburg has expressed the feeling that they would like to follow the Laurens County set-up. Greenville is also changing to the plan used in Laurens County. Because we feel the more people who receive a little compensation the greater the interest and the lesser the feeling of a few getting the money.

September should be a month filled with activity and we are putting forth every effort to assure a large number of new registrants.

Your suggestion of providing each County with a petty cash fund will be followed. Receipts for each expenditures from this fund will be requested. Any farther suggestions or recommendations that you wish to make will be highly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

Nathaniel J. Brockman

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Fourth Congressional District
Voter Education Project

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Today, Tonight, Tomorrow

It'll be umbrella and raincoat weather this weekend, the U. S. Weather Station here predicted today.

TODAY'S high temperature reading is pegged at 78 degrees, the same as Friday. Considerable cloudiness, continued cool and light rain is on tap.

TONIGHT'S 8 p.m. temperature is expected to be 67 degrees. Cool and intermittent rain.

TOMORROW'S low morning mercury reading is forecast at 62 degrees with it hitting a high of 78 by mid-afternoon. Continued cloudy and occasional showers.

HOURLY READINGS

7 a.m.	66	10	65
8	66	11	(e) 67
9	65	12	(e) 69

High for 24 hours ending at 7 a.m.	78
Low	65
Rainfall	.00
Sunset today	7:16
Sunrise tomorrow	5:48

SHE SAT ON SALLY

KIRBY MISPERTON, England (AP) — Sheba meant no harm when she sat on Sally Layton, 8. But the result was alarm, confusion, and five stitches in Sally's head. Sheba is a tigress, weighs 126 pounds, and is 14 months old. Her zoo trainer took her for a village walk, and when he fell down, Sheba ambled up to Sally and sat down, friendly like.

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By HARRY KELLY

WASHINGTON (AP) — The administration is trying a new tactic to get a health care for the elderly program through Congress this year.

Apparently with White House blessing, four key Democratic senators introduced an optional program Friday and sent it toward a floor showdown, perhaps next week.

Bomb Explodes In Mississippi

MCCOMB, Miss. (AP) — A bomb exploded early today in front of a Negro grocery store across the street from a church where civil rights workers have been holding a freedom school ere.

There were no injuries reported.

At Natchez, Miss., 65 miles northwest of McComb, a Negro tavern next door to a house used by Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee members, burned to the ground late Friday night after it had been ripped by an explosion.

Killed Instantly

James B. Sumrall, 52, Laurel, Miss, Route 5 and his wife, Mrs. Ruby Gunter Sumrall, 48, were killed instantly when their car was involved in a crash with a truck at Hattiesburg, Miss. Friday night, Spartanburg relatives were informed today.

Mr. Sumrall had two sisters who survive and live in Spartanburg. They are Mrs. Ouida Sumrall George of 355 Foxhall Road and Mrs. Vernie Sumrall Gardner of West View section.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete.

Thompson Funeral Home in Laurel, Miss. is in charge.

months ended June 30, according to the Commerce Department. In the first three months of this year the [illegible]cit was at an annual rate o[illegible] $580 million.

No A-Weapons

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Johnson specifically ruled out any use of nuclear weapons in orders to the 7th Fleet during last week's Gulf of Tonkin crisis, says a high administration source.

The administration source said the actual orders to the 7th Fleet stipulated use of "conventional ordnance only," a phrase that would eliminate use of nuclear weapons.

The report came Friday as another round in the dispute between the administration and Sen. Barry Goldwater, the Republican presidential nominee.

Goldwater, in Hershey, Pa., Wednesday, said the public report of Johnson's orders could be interpreted as authorizing commanders in Southeast Asia to use nuclear weapons.

But, he explained Friday, he had not accused the administration of authorizing their use, but only of using imprecise language.

[illegible] since early 1960 and in July actually dipped under 5 per cent. Prior to 1964, the unemployment rate in each of the last three periods of business recovery had leveled off at a higher point than before the recession began."

The average unemployment rate for the first seven months of 1964, the bureau said, was 5.3 per cent, compared with 5.7 per cent during the same period last year.

Automobile production continued at a record level, although there were some cutbacks in preparation for the annual model changeover.

Workers Trapped In Gold Mine

KIRKLAND LAKE, Ont. (AP) — A rock fall shattered a section of a gold mine Friday night, trapping two men near the 4,000-foot level. Sixty-five other miners escaped.

Rescue operations were halted temporarily when other rock falls rumbled through the Wright-Hargreaves Mine.

Wright-Hargreave, one of the deepest gold mines in North America, extends more than 8,000 feet underground.

Get Out Your Scissors; Clip 'World This Week'

You will find The Journal's new weekly feature, "The World This Week," on page 4 of today's paper. Prepared by the world-wide staff of The Associated Press, this feature offers you a concise review of the major world events for the past week. May we suggest that you may like to clip this feature weekly and save it as a handy index to the year's important events. Students will also find saving this feature offers a handy aid in the study of current events.

Negro Voters Increase Here

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By CARL MAY
Journal Staff Writer

Negroes have been flocking to the County Registration Board office in County Courthouse basement to secure new registration voting certificates.

Friday, more Negroes came in to register than whites.

Chairman John T. Chandler, who has been ailing in recent days, came to the office to sign a new batch of vote registration certificates.

A rush order was placed with the Secretary of State in Columbia this week for new registrations certificates. The demand was so great the supply was getting low. New application forms were also ordered.

A total of 57,421 persons were registered to vote in last June Democratic Primary. This unclued 4,551 Negroes and 52,870 whites.

Chairman Chandler said this total should be about the same for the General Election on Nov. 3, due to persons moving out of the county and deaths. The Negro vote should be substantially greater than in the primary as most of their registration certificates are new ones.

Chairman Chandler said many young people between the ages of 21 and 25 are registering to vote for the first time.

Over 1,000 new registration certificates are stacked in Chairman Chandler's desk awaiting to be posted on the precinct books.. The office clerks have been busy this week issuing new vote certificates.

Today at noon was the deadline for securing new certificates this month.

The office will be open again Sept. 8 and 9 for issuing vote registration certificates.

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Negro Leaders Set Up Vote Promotion Office

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S. C. Voting Picture:

Negroes Dominating Registration Lines

COLUMBIA, S. C. (AP) — A preview of the final jam-up of voter registration expected in South Carolina next month has been in evidence at many places in the state last week, with Negroes dominating the registration lines.

The state had an estimated 596,000 voters on the books four years ago, a total that jumped to 666,000 two years ago.

Since then, Negroes alone have accounted for 40,000 registrations, their leaders say.

And a current drive to get Negroes to register and vote is bringing out many more.

NAME STAYS ON BOOKS

Exact figures are hard to obtain. Registration in South Carolina is for 10-year periods. The current one is 1958-68. Once registered for a 10-year period, your name remains on the books.

Efforts are made to purge the lists of people who have died or moved away, but such efforts generally are only partially successful.

A presidential election year always brings on spurts of registration.

The South Carolina Voter Education Project, a Negro effort backed by the Southern Regional Council, is trying a new technique this year.

Instead of calling mass meetings of Negroes to encourage them to register and vote, the project is doing a block-by-block canvass of individuals.

The Rev. I. D. Newman, secretary of the project and state field secretary for the NAACP,

fall in South Carolina.

No one knows for sure.

The final registration for this year's Nov. 3 election comes the first Monday in September. Being Labor Day, the books will be open Sept. 8. Books must be closed the final 30 days before an election. In most counties, the books will be open for three days next month.

They probably will be busy days if the August registration period is any indication.

Spartanburg Herald-Journal WANT ADS

Section B Spartanburg S.C., Sunday Morning, Aug. 16, 1964

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—Photo by B&B Studio

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GREENVILLE PIEDMONT, GREENVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA SATURDAY, AUGUST 15, 1964

S.C. News Roundup

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Newman said today that the Southern Regional Council is backing the project. Dr. C. H. Thomas of Orangeburg is chairman of the project.

Newman said the project will be non-partisan. A field director will be employed to encourage efforts throughout the state to get Negroes to register and vote.

Newman said about 40,000 Negroes have been registered in the state since the project started two years ago.

This is in addition to 60,000 to 80,000 Negroes previously registered. Registration in South Carolina is good for a 10-year period, ending currently in 1968, when a new 10-year period opens.

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Outnumber The Whites

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Permanent Negro Voter Office Set

COLUMBIA (UPI)—A permanent voter registration and education headquarters for South Carolina is being set up in Columbia, Negro leaders said Saturday.

The Rev. I. Dequincey Newman, an NAACP official, said South Carolina leaders of the Southern Regional Council's voter education project decided to establish the headquarters.

The Southern Regional Council conducted the project throughout the South for two years. An estimated 40,000 Negroes have registered as voters in South Carolina as a result of the effort.

Newman, secretary of the project in South Carolina, said it will establish an office in Columbia with a field director and an office secretary.

Hall Speaks For Crusade

Rev. James S. Hall Jr., a former pastor at Springfield Baptist Church and presently pastor at Morris Chapel Baptist Church in Philadelphia, will be speaker during a public meeting sponsored by the Greenville City and County Crusade for Voter Registration at the Springfield church, Aug. 2 at 8 p.m.

Harrison Rearden, crusade chairman, said the meeting will signal the beginning of a concentrated effort to register the estimated 11,000 Negroes in Greenville County who are eligible but who are as yet unregistered.

Noting that the books will be open at the court house from Aug. 3 through Aug. 15, he said workers will urge each citizen to concern himself by reminding these people of their responsibility to register.

Be In The Know! **Be A Helper!**

Be A Registered VOTER!

The REGISTRATION BOOKS will be open

AUGUST 3 through AUGUST 15, 1964

Also the first Monday, Tuesday and

Wednesday in September, 1964.

For more information, contact the Director of Spartanburg County Voter Education Project.

Dial 583-8634—(Mrs. H. G. Barksdale)

585-2039—(Silver Hill Methodist Church)

or 585-2998—(Miss K. R. Moore, Secretary)

Mrs. H. G. Barksdale, Director

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125½ Falls Street Suite 4
Greenville, South Carolina

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August 19, 1964

Mr. Wiley A. Branton
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street Room 206
Atlanta 3, Georgia

8/18/64

Dear Mr. Branton:

The article "Negro Voters Swell County Registration", as you will note was given to the papers by the president of the local NAACP chapter. We feel that it is erroneous. We are making no reply through the papers because we do not want the White community to feel we are divided among ourselves.

The local branch of the NAACP seem to be anxious to claim credit for all that has been done in Voter Education, but has not taken an active part in the Voter Education Project. We realize however, that this is a local problem but we will appreciate your feeling on the matter.

Yours truly,

Nathaniel J. Brockman

Nathaniel J. Brockman
Director

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Encl:

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County Demo Chief Fears Race Issue At Convention

8/18/64
Greenville Piedmont Greenville S.C.

By ROBERT G. SARGENT

"The race issue will become a major involvement at the national Democratic Convention Aug. 24, at Atlantic City, there's no question about it," Greenville County Democratic party chairman C. Ben Bowen said today.

He predicted that the issue may result in a floor fight as far as seating delegates is concerned.

Mr. Bowen said he is "looking with interest" at the current political situation in Mississippi.

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"It is my understanding," he said, "that 'Americans for Democratic Action' are circulating a bulletin designed to prevent the elected delegates from Mississippi from being seated at the convention, and seating in lieu thereof, the 'Freedom Democratic party of Mississippi."

He said a refusal to seat elected Democratic delegates could create confusion among delegations from all Southern states and would possibly result in a "walk-out" by some delegations.

"It's not beyond the realm of possibility, however," he stated, "that both delegations from Mississippi could be seated. Such a move has been made before," he added.

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Illustrating the possibility of a floor fight over seating delegations, Mr. Bowen noted the Democratic Platform Committee refused yesterday to seat the delegation from Mississippi during a session in Washington with the Secretary of State, Secretary of Defense and Adlai Stevenson of the United Nations on foreign policy.

"The delegation was challenged by the committee because of alleged segregation," Mr. Bowen said, noting the Mississippi delegation does not include any Negroes.

"The South Carolina delegation may be challenged at the convention," Mr. Bowen stated. "I believe our election laws are similar to those of Mississippi, and we have no Negro representation on our delegation, either."

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He pointed out, however, that Negroes were represented at the state convention in Columbia and attended the caucus for electing delegates to the national convention.

"To the best of my knowledge," Mr. Bowen said, no Negroes asked to be delegates, nor were any names of Negroes submitted for nomination as delegates to the national convention.

"The problem may affect the convention to the point of calling for a vote on the floor," he stated, "However, I'm not acquainted with all the facts involved, but expect to be appraised of the situation at the caucus of the South Carolina delegation Aug. 23."

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The county party chairman said today he believes the convention will not run the full four days allotted, but will be completed in three days with the fourth set aside for a memorial service for the late President John F. Kennedy.

When asked for his opinion on who might become a running mate for President Lyndon Johnson, Mr. Bowen said, "I don't even know who the potentials are, but I expect a surprise nomination for vice president."

He said he anticipated the Democratic party platform for the presidential election will be based on "Continued Progress."

Negroes Sign

COLUMBIA (AP)—A Columbia Negro leader says Negro voter registration in Richland County has increased by 1,224 in the two-week period which ended Saturday.

The report was given by Mrs. Mojeska Simkins, chairman of a group which is coordinating a Negro registration drive.

Mrs. Simkins praised the fairness with which literacy tests were administered by Richland County registration officials.

Charles H. Thomas of Orangeburg, another Negro leader, estimated that about 150,000 Negroes are now registered to vote in South Carolina. Thomas is chairman of the statewide voter education project.

Thomas said the Justice Department was called in last week after charges were made of discrimination against Negroes seeking to register to vote in Jasper, Calhoun, Bamberg and Lexington counties. He said it is his understanding the charges were cleared up in all counties except Jasper.

A statewide meeting has been scheduled in Columbia for Wednesday of all groups seeking to register Negroes. The Palmetto Voters Association will coordinate the meeting.

FILE - VEP 4-25

August 21, 1964

The Rev. Nathaniel J. Brockman
125½ Falls Street
Suite 4
Greenville, South Carolina

Dear Rev. Brockman:

Thank you for the news articles which you sent to us on August 19. It appears that things are really looking up in your district and throughout the state, and we commend ~~sid~~ of you for your efforts.

I would appreciate it if you would send me the address of Mr. M. B. Tolbert, president of the Greenville branch of the NAACP, as I want to check further on his statements.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

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Spartanburg Herald-Journal - August 23, 1964

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Chandler added that the office is processing more than 300 absentee ballot applications, by far the most in the memory of staff members, and "they're still coming in," Chandler said.

He says a principal reason why there have been long lines at the registration office in the Courthouse is that a great many duplicate certificates, to replace lost ones, have been issued.

The next registration period will be observed during the first week in September. Final new registration period will be in the first week in October as state law requires certificates to be dated at least 30 days prior to an election.

Registration

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CHARLESTON COUNT

Charleston county board of registration enrolled 4,501 new voters during first two weeks in August. Five days in September yet to go. County breakdown is 3.553 White and 948 Negro. County total is now 61,186 voters: 47,801 White and 13,385 Negro.

Greenville News, S.C.
Aug., 1964

Negroes Should Lift Themselves

Editor, The News:

For the past year, the television stations have been giving the Negro demonstrations a lot of publicity. Recently the National Broadcasting System gave them one hour on television to state their grievances. While the reporter was questioning one of the leaders of the Negro organizations, he said that when the Negro integrated the White school the White pupils left, and when the Negro moved into the White neighborhood, the White man moved out.

Then he said, you have another segregated ghetto. It wasn't a ghetto before they moved in.

In questioning another one of the leaders, she stated that the White man had to give up part of what he had. For the past hundred years, since they have had their freedom, the White man has been giving them the fruit of his skill. The Rockefeller Foundation has given them forty million dollars in the past twenty years for educational purposes. Just recently, the Ford Foundation gave them ten million dollars for the same purpose.

When they were sold by their own race, they didn't even have a language. The White man in this country has been building schools for them and giving them employment. The state of South Carolina has eight thousand Negro school teachers, and the state of Mississippi has seven thousand Negro school teachers with a master's degree. So far, they have produced a lot of demonstrators and leaders of demonstrations. They have produced only one George Washington Carver.

Leroy R. Johnson, Negro state Senator in Georgia said the Negro is going to change the face of the South by their vote. According to the way they are multiplying they are making a good headway. They have increased in numbers from two hundred and ninety thousand to twenty one million since 1776. Aided by the riff-raff politicians, they have already made Washington, D. C., a Black Sodom.

Martin Luther King states that his action is non-violent. It was arbitrary violence to start with which is an insult to respect, then it turned into mob violence.

While they were showing the horrors of the slums of Harlem, I read an article in the June 13, 1964, issue of the Saturday Evening Post, accompanied with pictures of the upper class of Negro's with their dinner jackets and formal gowns attending a ball at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel.

God help those who help themselves, and I think it is about time for the Negro to get hold of his own bootstraps and lift himself up in a dignified and civilized manner.

MRS. BERTHA BRAMLETT
Greenville.

The Spartanburg Herald

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Top O' The Morning

Chance of thundershowers during the afternoon and evening.

8 A.M.: 72, cloudy.
12 NOON: 82, partly cloudy, day's high upper 80s.
8 P.M.: 80, partly cloudy, chance of thundershowers, night's low bottom 70s.

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The Stroller

By Seymour Rosenberg

Mrs. W. H. Hodge of Moore Route 1 passes on this gem about her little grandson, Joey Balentine. It seems that the youngster was coloring a dog in his coloring book and he made the dog bright red. Mom took one look and then told him, "I've never seen a red dog." Retorted the little boy: "Well, it's a bloodhound."

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Mrs. Carl Lane

Body at mortuary. Family at home.

Services 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, J. F. Floyd Mortuary, Revs. Hilton Johnson, James Crocker, Roy Calvert. Burial Sunset Memorial Park.

Survivors: husband, Hilton W. Foster; stepson, Wofford Foster, Spartanburg; sisters, Mrs. W. H. Turner, Chapin, S. C., Miss Lela Waters, Spartanburg; brothers, Roy, Ernest and Arthur Waters, all Spartanburg.

Bethel Methodist Church, Valley Falls.

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Mrs. Marvin Frank of 133 Henson Street testifies to the popularity of The Stroller's cookbook. Mrs. Frank explains that she had a recipe for an oatmeal cake in the cookbook and the amount of oatmeal used in the cake was inadvertently left out of the recipe. "I received at least 200 telephone calls in addition to letters from all over the South asking for the amount of oatmeal to use in the cake," Mrs. Frank says. So, in order to give Mrs. Frank peace from a ringing telephone, we'd like to inform all of our cooks that you use one cup of quick cooking oatmeal in the cake.

Apparently all the residents of Spartanburg don't like animals. We've received several letters that express thoughts like this: "All dogs should be killed" ... "Dogs are a worse nuisance than small kids" ... "Why spend money on dogs when humans need it more?" ... "Why don't dog owners keep their animals at home?" ... "Dogs give my flowers a fit" ... All these letter writers wanted their names withheld... naturally.

Writes Mrs. Bertha Stepp of Startex: "Here are a couple of Bible questions you might like to ask in your column. Who was the meanest grandma in the Bible? Who was the man who had 70 sons?" NOTE FROM THE STROLLER: Please send all answers to Mrs. Stepp at Startex.

Negroes Hold Vote Meet; Newsmen Not Admitted

J. E. Williams, presiding officer at the Negro Spartanburg County Voter Education Meeting at Thompson Street Baptist Church Sunday afternoon, said after the meeting that "considerably more Negroes registered to vote in Spartanburg County than the 5,189 figure previously reported."

The figure was published following a tally of white and Negro registrations in the County Registartion Board files.

The tally showed 53,696 whites registered.

Williams said response has been good to efforts to boost Negro registration.

Two Spartanburg Herald-Journal newsmen were barred from attending the Voter Education meeting Sunday. Williams asked Herald staff writer Fred Rigsbee and Journal Managing Editor Bob Craig not to enter the meeting, explaining that certain members of the group didn't want newsmen reporting the meeting because parts of the session might cause unfavorable publicity.

"We are not trying to get a bloc vote," Williams told them.

He said the purpose of the meeting was to "get the people to the polls and for them to cast their votes intelligently."

The newsmen explained to Williams that the newspapers are not particularly interested in publishing prepared releases from a special interest group, especially when the newspapers have made efforts to report the meeting, and have been denied.

However, after the meeting a prepared report of the meeting was given to the Herald, and was accepted in good faith.

The report stated that Atty. Matthew J. Perry spoke to a capacity audience, commending workers of the voter education project and encouraging all Negroes to register to vote.

He reminded the audience that "we must realize some benefits from our political activities from the precinct to the national level; we must see that our representatives of both parties bring patronage to South Carolina, and when jobs are available that Negroes are not deliberately overlooked."

Progress reports (details were not offered in the release) were made by Mrs. H. G. Barksdale, director of the Spatanburg Voter Education project; the Rev. C. M. Johnson, county chairman of Palmetto Voters Association; Dr. J. C. Bull, chairman of the Spartanburg Education Committee; and the Rev. N. J. Brockman, Voter Registration director for the 4th Congressional District.

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V OTER EDUCATION PROJECT

AUG 25 1964

FOURTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
125½ Falls Street
Greenville, South Carolina

V oter Education Project
Room 206, 5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton,

Thank you for your reply to our letter of August 19, 1964, concerning Mr. Tolbert's news article.

We too were disturbed about the news article. Mr. Mark Tolbert's address is as follows: 1000 Anderson Road, Greenville, South Carolina.

Thank you for your concern in this matter.

Yours truly,

Nathaniel J. Brockman

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VEP 4-25

August 27, 1964

Mr. Harrison Rearden
Fourth Congressional District of
South Carolina
Suite 4 - 125½ Falls Street
Greenville, South Carolina

RE: VEP 4-25

Dear Mr. Rearden:

I understand that you phoned the office yesterday to request the balance of your grant in the amount of $1,300. I am bringing the check with me to the meeting to be held in Columbia, South Carolina, tonight, and will hand deliver it to you then. This check represents payment in full of the balance due on your grant.

I wish to caution you that this is the last money you will be getting from VEP, and you will have to conduct your program in such a manner that this will carry you through the October registration deadline. You lost out on money for your district by not getting started at the time we made the grant.

I notice a sharp upturn in your expenditures this month, and we are sending you this check at this time, but had not expected to send it to you until September 15. It appears that you are paying money out to a number of different secretaries, and in my letter to you of May 8, I suggested that you would only need one secretary for the congressional district, rather than a separate secretary for each county. I also think it is a waste of money to pay people to copy names of registered voters, as it would seem to me you could request volunteers to get this done for you. VEP funds simply cannot be wasted, and while we want to help you all that we can, we must urge that a more businesslike approach be taken regarding many of your expenditures.

Our Fiscal Assistant tells me that you sent check No. 0068 and then skipped to check No. 0250. These checks should have been used in numerical order, and we need some explanation regarding checks No. 0069 through 0249. It also appears that check No. 0306 is missing entirely, and we need some explanation regarding this.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

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Claims report for Laurens County, South Carolina, period 24 August ending 28 , 1964, as submitted by J. T. W. Mims, Director of Voter Registration Activities in Laurens County, South Carolina:

AREA CAPTAINS AND WORKERS

Frances C. Calhoun					
Area: Laurens City					
Persons contacted	255				
Persons registered	144				
Persons not registered	111				
Persons will register	144				
No Families visited	206	at .10	$20.60	20.60	10.30
Mrs. Louise Glenn					
Area: Laurens City	87				
Persons contacted					
Persons registered	46				
Persons not registered	41				
Persons will register	41				
No Families visited	50	at .10¢	5.00	5.00	2.50
Mr. George Jones					
Area: Clinton City					
Persons contacted	113				
Persons registered	6				
Persons not registered	89				
Persons will register	89				
Persons uncertain	18				
No. Families visited	68	at .10¢	6.80		
Transported 24 to polls 85 miles driven at .08¢			6.80		11.80
Total				13.60	
plus salary				10.00	
				23.60	
Mr. Thomas Glenn					
Area: Clinton City					
Persons contacted	47				
Persons registered	2				
Persons not registered	45				
Persons will register	45				
Families visited	40	at .10¢	4.00		
Total				4.00	2.00

Laurens County's Claims report for week August 24-28, 1964.

Area Captains and Workers:

Mrs. Minnie M. Williams
Area: Laurens City

Persons contacted	146				
Persons registered	47				
Persons not registered	97				
Persons will register	97				
Transportation to poll	10 miles at .8¢		.80		
No. Families visited	99 at .10¢		9.90		
Total				10.70	5.35

Mrs. Emma M. Thompson
for the operation of Education center in Clinton 3.00

Mr. Thomas H. Rice
Area: Clinton City

Persons contacted	41				
Persons registered	21				
Persons not registered	20				
Transportation to polls to register in Laurens miles	154 at .08¢		12.32		
No. Families visited	52 at .10¢		5.20		
Total plus salary				17.52	8.76
				10.00	
				17.52	

Mrs. Claudia P. Garlington
Area: Laurens City

Persons contacted	59				
Persons registered	20				
Persons not registered	39				
Persons will register	39				
No. Families visited	43 at .10¢		4.30		
Total				4.30	2.15

Mr. Lee Otis Goode
Area: GrayCourt, Owning, Barksdale, Princeton and Fountain INN

Persons contacted	105				
Persons registered	17				
Persons not registered	88				
Persons will register	88				
Transportation to poll	14				
Total miles driven	162 at .08¢		12.96		
Total plus Captains salary			10.00	22.96	11.48

Mrs. Vera Latimer
Area: Waterloo, Rts 1 and 3 Laurens

Persons contacted	178				
Persons registered	81				
Persons not registered	97				
Persons will register	97				
Miles driven	160 at .08¢		12.80		
Total				12.80	6.40

Laurens County's Claim report for week August 24-28, 1964

Area Captains and Workers:

Mr. Robert Hill
Area: Waterloo

Persons contacted	50				
Persons registered	15				
Persons not registered	35				
Persons will register	35				
Total miles driven	100 at .8¢		8.00		
Total				8.00	4.00

Mr. J. W. Rabb
Area: Joanna

Persons contacted	20				
Persons registered	1				
Persons not registered	19				
Persons will register	19				
Miles driven	80 at .8¢		6.40		
Total				6.40	320

Mrs. Cunningham
Area: Waterloo, Alice

Persons contacted	31				
Persons registered	13				
Persons not registered	18				
Persons will register	16				
Persons will not register	2				
Total miles driven	25 at .08		2.00		
Total				2.00	100

Mrs. Barbara Luster
Area: Laurens City

Persons contacted	103				
Persons registered	60				
Persons not registered	43				
Persons will register	43				
No. Families visited	70 at .10¢		7.00		
Total				7.00	350

Rev. Odell Beasley, Captain, Area I
Area: WaterLoo, Cross Hill, Mountville, Fountin Inn

Total miles driven	172 at .08¢		13.76		
Over Draft from July report			4.20		
Captains salary			10.00		
Total				27.96	13.98

Laurens County's Claim report for week August 24-28, 1964.

Area Captains and Workers:

Mr. H. Blakey			
Area: Waterloo			
Persons contacted	12		
Persons registered	8		
Persons not registered	4		
Persons will register	4		
Total miles driven	10 at .08¢	.80	
Total			.80
Mrs. Pearson			
Area: Rt. 2, Laurens			
Persons contacted	14		
Persons registered	9		
Persons not registered	5		
Persons will register	5		
Miles driven	12 at .08¢	.96	
Total			.96

Office Expenditures:

Salary of Voter Education Director Mr. J. T. W. Mims	$15.00	
Transportation for Director 172 miles at .08¢	13.76	
Salary for Secretary	35.00	
Total		63.76
Grand Total		$251.36

Sign J. T. W. Mims

Rec'd 9/5/64

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FOURTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
125½ Falls Street Suite 4
Greenville, South Carolina

August 31, 1964

Dear Sir:

This is the unofficial report of Registered Voters for Spartanburg City and County as of August 21, 1964.

County	2535
City	2550
Total	5085

Those who registered during the month of August have not been completed as of this date.

I am enclosing newspaper clippings for Greenville and Spartanburg Counties.

Yours truly,

Bernice Reeder

Bernice Reeder
Secretary to Rev. Brockman

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WB

August 31, 1964

Mr. Mark Tolbert
1000 Anderson Road
Greenville, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Tolbert:

A recent article in your Greenville newspaper referred to you as President of the local NAACP and addressed certain remarks to you to the effect that the current voter registration campaign in Greenville is an NAACP project which Mr. W. C. Patton had set up.

Mr. Patton did set up a registration program in Greenville at the request of this office, the funds for which were given by this project, but that program has long since been ended.

The current program in Greenville combining the Third Congressional District and the entire state of South Carolina is a special program involving people from several different organizations, now known as the South Carolina Voter Education Project. The program in Greenville is under the immediate direction of Rev. Nathaniel Brockman, and Mr. Harrison Rearden is Chairman of the Third Congressional District program. All of the funds are furnished by this office

We think that it is important that people in responsible positions such as you should be fully informed of the facts, as it sometimes damages a program when erroneous information is released to the press. I respectfully request you to check into this matter and give me the benefit of your opinion regarding the statement addressed to you in the press.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

BLIND COPY: Rev. Nathaniel Brockman

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THE FOURTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT
125½ Falls Street Suite 4
Greenville, South Carolina

September 2, 1964

PROGRESS REPORT

During the month of August the Fourth Congressional District registered a total of 1900 people. The breakdown of the other Counties is as follows:

Laurens County	1000
Spartanburg County	600
Greenville County	300

I understand that you might have received some reports which were much less for the month of August than the above stated figures. I am however, sending the figures that were given to me by each County Director. I simply used round figures which makes this report a fraction less than the persons actually registered. These figures were obtained by the County Directors from authorized sources.

We feel that a pretty good job was accomplished during the month of August. However, we are looking forward to a much greater number of new registrants for the month of September. Much more needs to be accomplished.

A meeting of the Fourth Congressional District Voter Education Project was held August 24, 1964 in Greenville, South Carolina. A good representation from each County was present. The enthusiasm was high. Everyone is pleased with the system by which the money is being dispersed in the Fourth Congressional District.

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Progress Report cont'd

As you will note from the financial reports, a great deal of the money has been spent in paying canvassers. This has served to encourage many people to cooperate with the Voter Education Project. There seems to be a sense of being a part of every detail of the Project on the part of the canvassers. May I state again, September promises to be a good month as far as getting people to the Court Houses in the Fourth Congressional District.

Spartanburg County held a mass meeting August 23, 1964. There were several hundreds of people in attendance. Everyone present seemed to be pleased with the progress that had been made and seemed eager to accomplish more in September.

Greenville also had a mass meeting August 2, 1964 with from four to five five hundred people present. The enthusiasm was also good.

Contacts are now being made throughout the Congressional District by canvassers urging persons to register.

The books will be open in Greenville County from September 7 to October 3, six days a week from 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. Spartanburg and Laurens Counties boards have announced for only September 8,9, and lo and October 1,2, and 3, 1964.

We feel however, that as much time as is required will be given in proportion to the number who apply during the time already alloted.

Your suggestion concerning secretarial help was immediately implemented. Any further suggestions you wish to offer feel free to do so.

Very truly yours,

Rev. Nathaniel J. Brockman

Rev. Nathaniel J. Brockman, Director
Fourth Congressional District

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THE FOURTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT
125½ Falls Street, Suite 4
Greenville, South Carolina

September 3, 1964

Mr. Wiley A. Branton
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 Forsyth Street, Room 206
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton,

Our funds are exhausted. Unless we can receive an additional grant our project will be greatly hampered. As you will note in the Progress Report of September 2, 1964, we are looking forward to this period of registration to be very effective. Even if we do not receive an additional grant, we are going to work, however, if we can obtain additional funds we can do a much more effective job.

I feel that the reasons the last two installments seemed to have been consumed so briefly were due to the fact; all three counties had become active, and the system used in the Fourth District to pay the canvassers. You will please scrutinize the financial report to determine the wisdom with which the previous grant has been disbursted and the need for an additional grant.

The suggestion you gave in Columbia concerning only one secretary for the Fourth Congressional District has been implemented. Any further suggestions you wish to offer will be kindly appreciated.

Enclosed you will find a Proposed Budget for the remaining period.

Thanks for your kindest consideration.

Very truly yours,

Rev Nathaniel J Brockman

Rev. Nathaniel J. Brockman
Director

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Encl: Proposed Budget

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FOURTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA
VOTER REGISTRATION PROJECT

September 3, 1964

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THREE COUNTIES

Proposed Expenditures for Congressional District:	Congressional Total
I. Staff	
A. Congressional Director	$ 200.00
B. Secretary	300.00
C. County Directors	425.00
II. Office Maintenance:	
A. Rent	54.00
B. Telephone	50.00
C. Expendibles (Supplies)	300.00
III. Publicity	
A. Postages	375.00
B. Handbills(Releases, Circulars, ect.)	250.00
C. Radio, Television Announcements and Newspaper	
IV. Transportation	
A. Car Pool	600.00
V. Total Proposed Expenditures for Fourth Congressional District	2,554.00

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Nathaniel Brockman

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Claims report for the Laurens County Voter Registration Committee for week August 31-September 4, 1964, as submitted by J. T. W. Mims, Director Voter Registration in Laurens County, South Carolina:

Office Operations:

Salary, Education Director J. T. W. Mims	$15.00	33.40
Salary of Secretary Emma T. Hunter	35.00	
Transportation for Director 230 miles	18.40	
Total		$68.40

Spent from Petty Cash

Arch Board	$1.70
Postage Stamps	5.00
Total	$6.70

J. T. W. Mims

J. T. W. Mims

SC 100.00
Petty 70.00

spent. 37.80
25.00
12.80

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10-10-64

September 3, 1964

Mr. Harrison Rearden
Suite 4
125½ Falls Street
Greenville, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Rearden:

Re VEP 4-25

In his letter of August 27, Mr. Brenton requested an explanation from you for the jump in the serial numbers of check carbons you have submitted to this office in your financial reporting. We will have to have in writing an explanation for the missing carbons of checks #0068-0250, or the check carbons themselves. Since that time, you have submitted other financial reportings from which checks #0339, and 0377 are missing. Please submit these carbons to us also.

Rec'd 9/10/64

For your information, I am listing below the check numbers for which we will require supporting explanations, also. These were for petty cash, and as your financial reporting instructions will show, we require subsequent explanations for all petty cash expenditures.

Check	#0053	(Laurens County)	$50.00
"	#0257	(Spartanburg)	15.00
"	#0317	(Spartanburg)	50.00
"	#0331	(Greenville)	7.00
"	#0360	(Greenville)	5.00

Sincerely yours,

Jean Levine
Fiscal Assistant

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FINANCIAL COPY

August 27, 1964

Mr. Harrison Rearden
Fourth Congressional District of
South Carolina
Suite 4 - 125½ Falls Street
Greenville, South Carolina

RE: VEP 4-25

Dear Mr. Rearden:

I understand that you phoned the office yesterday to request the balance of your grant in the amount of $1,300. I am bringing the check with me to the meeting to be held in Columbia, South Carolina, tonight, and will hand deliver it to you then. This check represents payment in full of the balance due on your grant.

I wish to caution you that this is the last money you will be getting from VEP, and you will have to conduct your program in such a manner that this will carry you through the October registration deadline. You lost out on money for your district by not getting started at the time we made the grant.

I notice a sharp upturn in your expenditures this month, and we are sending you this check at this time, but had not expected to send it to you until September 15. It appears that you are paying money out to a number of different secretaries, and in my letter to you of May 8, I suggested that you would only need one secretary for the congressional district, rather than a separate secretary for each county. I also think it is a waste of money to pay people to copy names of registered voters, as it would seem to me you could request volunteers to get this done for you. VEP funds simply cannot be wasted, and while we want to help you all that we can, we must urge that a more businesslike approach be taken regarding many of your expenditures.

Our Fiscal Assistant tells me that you sent check No. 0068 and then skipped to check No. 0250. These checks should have been used in numerical order, and we need some explanation regarding checks No. 0069 through 0249. It also appears that check No. 0306 is missing entirely, and we need some explanation regarding this.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

Rec'd
9-3-64

WAB:js

September 8, 1964

The Rev. Nathaniel J. Brockman
Fourth Congressional District VEP
Suite 4 - 125½ Falls Street
Greenville, South Carolina

RE: VEP 4-23

Dear Rev. Brockman:

We congratulate you and your co-workers for the apparent success in your voter registration program, but we are disturbed by the financial expenditures.

The first budget which we received from the Fourth Congressional District was one for three months in the amount of $6,925, and was received in this office on May 3, 1964. We wrote Mr. Rearden on May 8, suggesting that there were several items which we felt were unnecessary or too high, and indicated that we would give "....$4,000 for a three-month voter registration program in the three counties of the Fourth Congressional District." We requested a revised budget showing how the $4,000 would be spent, and this was sent to us by Mr. Rearden on May 14.

We sent our initial installment in the amount of $1,400 on June 11, 1964, and stated that installments of $1,300 each would be sent on or about July 15 and August 15. The delay in sending you the check was because of problems in Mr. Rearden's office. Mr. Rearden wrote on June 25 that the program would not begin until the first Monday in July, which meant that the three-month grant should have carried you until the end of September. On August 6, we suggested that because of your delay in getting started, that we would send the other two installments on August 15 and September 15, but we went ahead and sent the second installment on August 12 because of your needs. On August 26, Mr. Rearden called to state that you were out of money, and wanted the final installment.

and I took your final check with me to Columbia on August 27 and gave it to Mr. Rearden. I wrote him a letter on the same date, and I cautioned him that this would be the last money from VEP, and that it would have to last through the October 5 registration deadline. On September 3, less than a week after we had paid the final installment, you wrote to state that your funds were exhausted, and we simply cannot understand why.

The budget which you sent on September 3 does not indicate how long a period of time you expect this budget to cover. Will you please explain in detail the reason for spending your previous grant so far in advance of the period that it was expected to cover? We want to help in every way that we possibly can, but everything should be done in a businesslike manner.

I do not fully understand the method by which you pay canvassers. Do you pay merely where a person has been contacted, or only when the person has actually registered? Please explain fully.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:js
cc: Mr. Harrison Rearden
Dr. C. H. Thomas

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FOURTH CONGERSSIONAL DISTRICT
VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT
125½ Falls St., Suite 4
Greenville, South Carolina

September 9, 1964

Mr. Wiley A. Branton, Project Director
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth St. N. W., Room 206
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton,

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of September 8, 1964, concerning the financial status of the Fourth Congressional District Voter Education Project.

In answer to your question concerning the method by which we paid the canvassers; the canvassers were paid for persons contacted and is expected to follow through to see to it that those not registered are registered.

Rev. N. J. Brockman is coming to Atlanta today and will bring with him a copy of check No. 0377 and check No. 0339, and also checks from No. 0069 - 0249. He will bring receipts for money spent from petty cash.

The checks No. 0069-249 were overlooked because the treasurer Dr. W. F. Gibson was using from the box that contained these checks, and by mistake the other box that contained checks from No. 0250 was confused with the other box of checks. This was simply a mistake and an oversight on Dr. Gibson's part.

There was a deficit when the second installment was sent, because as was explained by telephone we had already had some checks returned because of insufficient funds. The same was the case when the third installment was brought to Columbia by you.

I hope that this letter along with these reports clearify any questions you might have in your mind, if not please feel free to request any further information you feel necessary to clearify these questions.

The budget which we sent is to last through October 5, 1964.

Yours very truly,

Harrison Rearden

Harrison Rearden,
Chairman Fourth Congressional District

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(VEP 9-25)
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September 11, 1964

Mr. Harrison Rearden
Suite 4 - 125½ Falls Street
Greenville, South Carolina

RE: VEP 4-25

Dear Mr. Rearden:

Thank you for your prompt reply to our letter of September 8. Rev. Brockman visited the VEP office yesterday and gave us further information regarding your program, and also brought the checks which were missing. Rev. Brockman promised to check on the congressional district results to date for this month and phone me, and he has just called to tell me that 817 people have registered on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday of this week.

It is our understanding from talking with Rev. Brockman that the books will be open just about every day in Greenville County and that they will be open about three days every week for the next three weeks in Spartanburg County, and on the last two days of the month in Laurens County.

Because of the success of your congressional district program, we have decided to make you a supplemental grant, but we cannot approve your full budget request. We have decided to make you a supplemental grant in the amount of $1,500, and we enclose our check for that amount. It is to be understood that this grant will be the final money which you can expect from VEP, and you should budget it accordingly.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

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Encl: $1,500 check

GREENVILLE PIEDMONT, GREENVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 1964

S. C. News: 2-Year Negro Vote Registration Said 50,000

COLUMBIA (AP) — Almost 50,000 Negroes have been registered in a two-year campaign in South Carolina, a campaign spokesman said Tuesday.

Dr. Charles H. Thomas of Orangeburg, the campaign chairman, said the newly registered Negroes will be "trained" how to vote in the November presidential election.

Dr. Thomas estimated total Negro voting strength in South Carolina at 160,000. The state had 772,000 registered voters in mid-August.

The campaign committee is nonpartisan, Dr. Thomas said, but candidates are being screened and evaluated as part of its training program for new voters.

Spartanburg County Voter Registration Box Score

Sept. 22, 1964

Registration through Wednesday: 59,928; (54,272 white; 5,656 Negro.)

(Registered Thursday: 368 persons. (223 White; 145 Negro.)

New Total county vote registration: 60,296 (54,495 white; 5,801 Negro.)

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REGISTER: at the Registration Board office in the Courthouse today 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday, 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

Monday and Tuesday, Sept. 14 and 15; and final registration period before General Election Monday and Tuesday, Sept. 21-22. Hours all four days 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Vote Board May Ask For More Time To Register

Sept. 22, 1964

By GLEN W. NAVES
Journal Staff Writer

Swamped Spartanburg County Registration Board will "decide after tonight" whether to request a time extension for signing - up unregistered voters, Registrar Roland Barnett said today.

"Right now, we're covered up with applicants", he reported shortly after 10 a.m. "We'll wait until after 5 p.m. today to see what should be done."

Registrars haven't yet asked Delegation to okay a time extension, he said.

On present schedule, today at 5 was the deadline for citizens to register in time to qualify for the general election Nov. 3. However, under the law, registration certificates issued not less than 30 days before an election qualify the holders to vote. The final 30 - day period will expire Oct. 3.

Registrars must decide whether to hold the books open until 5 p.m., Oct. 3, it was pointed out.

Long lines of applicants kept the board's County Courthouse Room 178 headquarters open an extra half - hour or until 5:30 p.m. Monday.

Here's the registration box score:

Registered through Saturday: 61,233 (55,105 white; 6,128 Negro).

Registered Monday at the Courthouse: 944 (643, white; 301 Negro.)

TOTAL REGISTRATION: 62,177 persons (55,748 white; 6,429 Negro.)

Vote Unit To Open For 3 Days

Sept. 27, 1964

County Board of Registration will be open for the final times Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week.

Roland C. Barnett, board member, said the decision was reached after 1,857 people crowded the courthouse last Monday and Tuesday in what were to be the final days.

Saturday is the last day vote certificates can be issued for the Nov. 3 election. No new registrations can be issued within 30 days of the next election. Duplicates can be issued until election day.

The board will be open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday and Friday and 9 a.m. to 12 noon Saturday.

According to unofficial records through Tuesday, 64,034 persons are registered to vote in the county. There are 56,347 white voters and 6,743 Negroes.

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—Photo by B&B Studio

Round And Round The Courthouse Winds The Line Of Would-Be Registrants

Crowds Swamp Registration Board, 3 Extra Days Planned For Voters

Scantmbry Herald 9/23/64

A massive last - minute rush to register for the Nov. 3 general election has prompted County Registration Board to provide three more registration days.

The first two days of this week when 1,857 obtained new certificates were to be the final registration days.

NOW BOARD MEMBER Roland C. Barnett has announced that new and duplicate certificates again will be issued on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Oct. 1 through 3. Hours on the first two days will be 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. and on Oct. 3, 9 a.m. to 12 noon at the Courthouse.

Under state law no new certificates can be issued less than 30 days prior to an election. The third is the absolute deadline.

On Tuesday, 913 persons registered. Monday certificates were issued to 914.

Board member Roland C. Barnett said they were the busiest days he could recall for voting registration in the county.

Tuesday, like Monday, started off with a corrider full of people waiting to be registered. The line lengthened as the day progressed. Seven registration clerks issued voting certificates and duplicate voting certificates throughout the day.

Barnett said no tabulation of duplicate certificates was made but that their number "was sizeable."

At times more than 200 persons waited in line to register.

Many persons came and turned away after looking at the line which spread the full length of a corrider and circled the walls of the ground floor lobby.

The registration office has been open longer than required by state law, Barnett pointed out.

AT 6:05 P.M. Tuesday the last voting certificate was issued—exactly one hour and five minutes after the courthouse doors were closed and no one else was allowed in.

According to unofficial records as of Tuesday afternoon, 64,034 persons are registered to vote in the county. Of these 56,347 are white and 6,743 Negores.

Of those registering Tuesday 599 were white and 314 Negroes.

County Delegation has granted the Registration Board an additional $1,000 to keep the office open for additional registration. Delegation indicated willingness to appropriate more money if it were needed.

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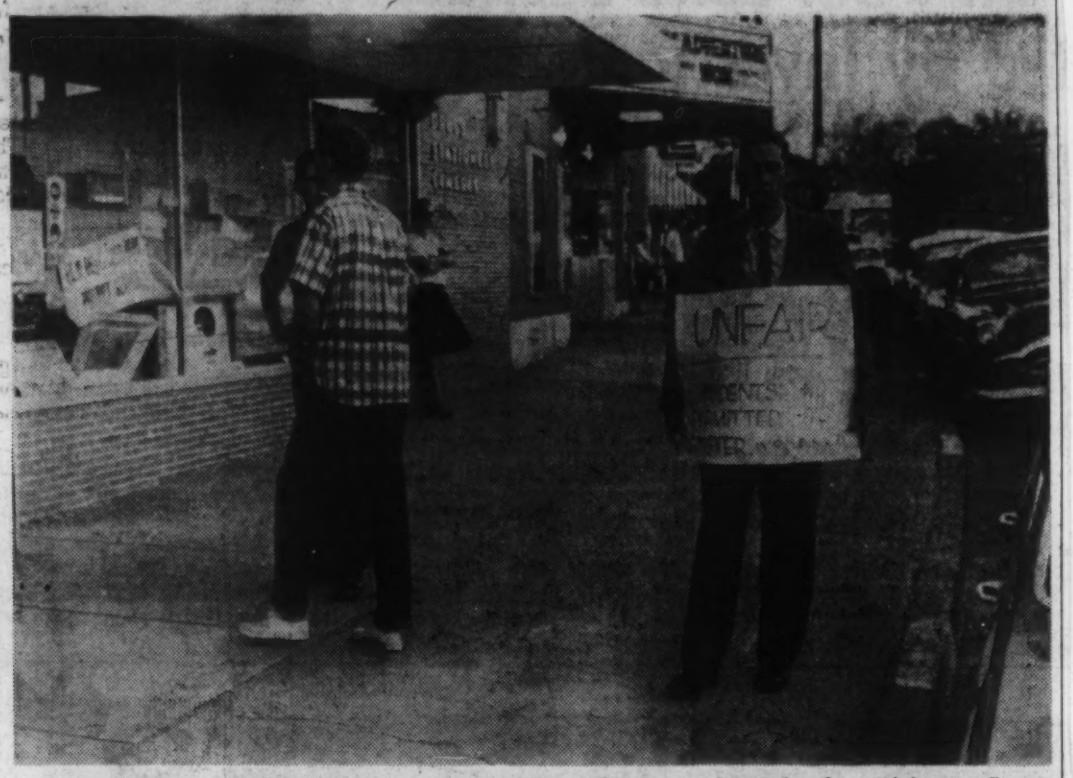
Greenville News
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 1964 THE GREE

'Right-To-Vote' Picket



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He Claims Certificates Wrongfully Denied

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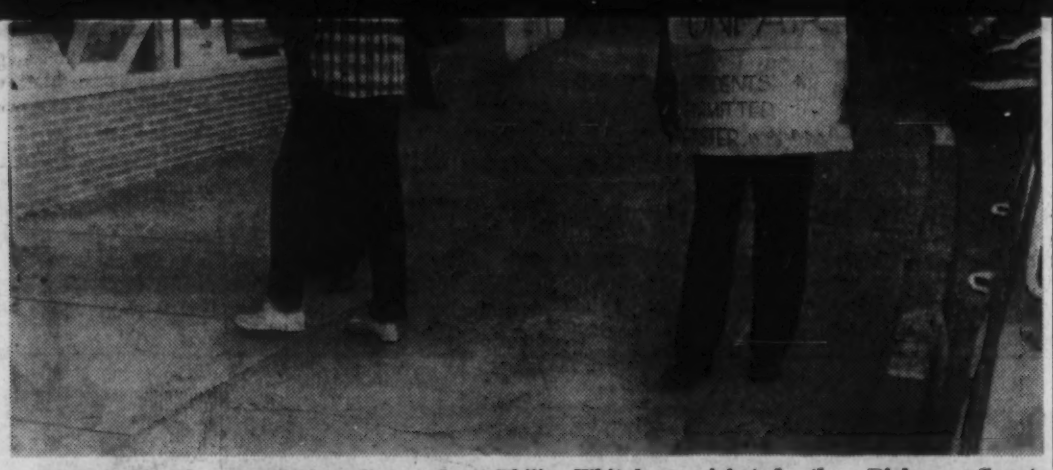

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The Pickens board is proceeding under the policy that the college students here generally are not permanent residents under law and therefore are not eligible to vote here.

It was reported that the Oconee County Registration Board earlier this week registered college students in the Old Stone Church precinct adjoining Clemson. This, however, could not be verified.

Whitaker told a newsman that a 25-year-old student and father who has lived in Clemson almost two years was denied registration by the Pickens board.

Whitaker said the student accidentally registered in Oconee County, discovered his mistake and attempted to register at the Pickens board.

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September 29, 1964

Mrr Harrison Rearden
125½ Falls Street
Suite 4
Greenville, South Carolina

RE: VEP 4-25

Dear Mr. Rearden:

We have had no financial reporting from you since September 5, and your unaccounted balance of $1865.85, including the $1500 we sent you on September 11.

We require weekly financial reports and we must insist that you promptly send us an up-to-date financial accounting.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:bs
cc: Rev. Nathaniel Brockman

GREENVILLE PIEDMONT, GREENVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 1964

Student Residents Allowed To Register As Voters Here

Three Bob Jones University students, who said they were previously denied voter registration certificates, registered in routine fashion at the Greenville County Board of Registration this morning.

One graduate student, holding a sleeping child in his arms, and his wife were issued voter certificates after answering routine questions concerning eligibility to vote in South Carolina.

The man, who said he preferred to remain anonymous, told The Piedmont he came to Bob Jones University from Lansing, Mich., and that he and his family have been on-campus residents here for one year and expect to remain in the area another two years.

He stated that he and his wife were refused the right to register at the Greenville County Board of Registration a week ago.

The third student, who said he has been a dormitory resident at the university for the past four years, stated he had been refused the right to register twice this year, the last time, two weeks ago.

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He maintained he has no legal residence other than Bob Jones University since his parents are overseas missionaries in Bermuda.

The youth said previous refusals by Board of Registration officials were made on the grounds that he was ineligible because he was a dormitory student.

The trio this morning were questioned on their required residency of one year in the state; six months in the county and three months in their polling precinct.

In addition, they were asked whether or not they are year-round residents at the university. The married couple stated they are year-round residents, while the single youth answered in the affirmative "except when I take various summer jobs or visit my parents overseas."

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Greenville News

Negro Vote May Give Johnson Strong Hand In Most Of South

ATLANTA (AP) — Simple arithmetic gives President Johnson a strong hand in most of the South on the basis of a Negro vote which is nearly twice the size it was four years ago.

Registration of both White and Negro voters has been heavy in the 11 Southern states, and particularly during the past two years.

Negro voters now number more than 2 million, compared to 1.1 million four years ago. White voters total about 13.6 million in the 11 states from Virginia to Texas.

With the exception of Mississippi and Alabama, the Negro vote might strongly influence election results in the South. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., a Negro leader, has said few if any Negroes will vote Republican this year.

If the Negro vote, now comprising about 13 per cent of the electorate, goes solidly Democratic as expected, Johnson will need to pull only 40 to 45 per cent of the White vote to carry such pivotal states as Georgia, Florida, North Carolina and South Carolina.

POSSIBLE OBSTACLE

Republican strategy aims at carrying the South's 27 per cent of the electoral college votes as the nucleus of victory against the Democrats. Thus, the Negro vote looms as a possible obstacle to this.

The problem of analyzing voter registration is hampered by the lack of official bookkeeping; most of the states no longer list voters by race and estimates often vary by several percentage points.

Georgia, for example, has no official central compilation of voters. The secretary of the state estimated registration at 1.5 million; it might be well above that because of the heavy registration this year alone, especially by Negroes.

Negro leaders estimate the Negro vote in Georgia from 250,000 to 275,000, or 16 to 18 per cent — the highest of any southern state. It is a huge jump over the estimated 9 per cent of 1960 when the Democrats carried Georgia by a conclusive margin.

In the balance of the South, White registration generally has kept the racial ratio fairly steady.

Florida's Negro vote has risen in four years from 163,128 to 240,616, but the percentage increase has been one point — from 9 to 10 per cent. White voters this year total 1.95 million in Florida

BALLOTING POWER

South Carolina Negroes have pushed up their balloting power. Estimates put it at 10 to 15 per cent of the 772,000 voters. The Southern Regional Council estimates Negro voters comprise more than 10 per cent of the North Carolina electorate.

Latest estimates by Negro leaders in Alabama indicate a spurt in Negro registration, placed at about 10 per cent now compared to about 8 per cent a year ago. Total registration is 950,000 to one million.

Mississippi, with a population that is 42 per cent Negro has the lowest Negro registration — estimated at about 31,000 of 550,000 or about 5.6 per cent.

In Louisiana, Negro voting strength remains at about 14 per cent, little changed from 1960. Arkansas has about 80,000 Negroes in its more than 650,000 voters. Intensive registration drives in Virginia has pushed Negro vote power to 12 per cent and perhaps higher.

Texas has about 12.5 per cent Negro voters, the number estimated at 375,000 — a jump of 75,000 in the past year alone. About 13 per cent of Tennessee's voters are Negro.

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Greenville Piedmont 9/29/64

Vote Urged By Chamber

A request for all non-registered people to register by this Saturday's deadline was made today by James M. Henderson, president of the Greater Greenville Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Henderson said the registration office in the County Courthouse on East North Street would close its doors at 1 p.m. Saturday.

He stated those not registered by then will not be eligible to vote in the November elections.

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He said the chamber feels that every person who is eligible to register should do so and then follow-up by voting.

According to the Greenville County registration office, eligibility to register is based on state residence for a year, county residence for six months and precinct residence for three months.

The registration office is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays and from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturdays.

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Greenville News

Registration Office Is Flooded With Applicants; 3 1-2 Days Left

With only 3½ days remaining including today to register to vote in the Nov. 3 general election, the Greenville County Board of Registration was flooded yesterday with persons desiring voting certificates, as it has been for several days.

Long lines were formed by persons registering yesterday at the office on the lower floor of the courthouse. One veteran courthouse employe said the lines had been there all day and stated that he had never seen anything like it before.

At the 5 p.m. closing time, the courthouse doors were locked and no one else was admitted. Only those who had been in line when the doors were closed were allowed to continue registering.

No estimate could be obtained as to the number of persons handled by the registration board yesterday, due to the fact that everybody was too busy to make a count.

The board will be open today through Friday between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. The Saturday hours will be 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. No persons can be registered after Saturday.

Three Bob Jones University students who had previously been turned away were issued certificates yesterday, it was understood. The students were not allowed to register when their residency in this state was questioned.

A husband and wife who moved here from Lansing, Mich., to attend the local university, said they had been living here one year. The other student said he had been a dormitory student at Bob Jones University for four years.

Voters Urged Get Names On Voting Books

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THE FOURTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT
125½ Falls Street
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October 8, 1964

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Mr. Wiley A. Branton, Project Director
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Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton,

Because of the interest you have shown in the Fourth Congressional District, we are happy to report that Negro Registration of Voter Registration has increased greatly. Had it not been for Voter Education Project, the numbers that have been attained could not have reached. We realize that this is a responsibility of every person in society to register and vote, however, this is a new frontier so far as Negroes are concerned. Because you shared so liberally, the problems faced by the Negro such as fear, literacy, lethargy, and carelessness, have greatly been overcome.

Let us take this opportunity to express our gratitude and to say thank you for your interest and concern. We are certain that many of the problems faced in our community will be overcome because of the power of the ballot now in the hands of the Negro. Much of this credit goes to you and Voter Education Project for serving as coordinator of all agencies in our district.

We are deeply indebted to everyone who goes to make up The Voter Education Project, Mr. Blackwell at first, Mr. Dew, and Mr. Tucker have certainly been of much service.

Again may we say thank you.

Sincerely yours,

N. J. Brockman

Rev. N. J. Brockman
Director

NJB/cw

VEP 4-25

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THE FOURTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT
125½ Falls Street, Suite 4
Greenville, South Carolina

October 15, 1964

PROGRESS REPORT
September 7-October 3, 1964

The period from September 7 through October 3, 1964, was quite successful in terms of people registering in the Fourth Congressional District. The courthouses in Greenville, Laurens, and Spartanburg had lines of applicants as had never been witnessed before. Elder citizens, some of whom were courthouse employees made statements to this effect.

The registration figures fornthis period are as follows:

Spartanburg----------	1,186
Greenville----------	2,000
Laurens----------	1,000
Congressional ---------	4,186

These are the official figures for Spartanburg County. The Greenville figure is an estimate by the Chairman of the County Registration Board. The Greenville Books are now on the IBM Machines being tabulated. The Laurens figure is an approximate figure from our Project Director. Laurens has encountered difficulty in obtaining figures from the County Board of Registration.

The Boards in the districts closed for registration on October 3, 1964. At closing time there were still long lines and people were still coming. Everyone in line at closing time were registered.

In spite of the fact the Republicans on the local level in Greenville County criticized the Board severely, however, the Board was very cooperative and at intervals would urge us to urge our people to get registered. The Republicans

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put monitors at the courthouse to serve as watchdogs over the Registration. There were rumoured reports that they tried to confuse Negroes who came to apply by telling them that they were not qualified, or either they could not register. Our supervisors were always on hand to curb this sort of thing and to report these incidents to the Board. May I reiterate that the Board gave us every vestige of kindness within their power. The same rules were applied to each registrant, regardless. The Board in Spartanburg was more liberal even than the Board in Greenville. The Negro population in Laurens County in proportion to the White is higher, therefore, the Board was not as liberal.

The progress in each county has been tremendous. The cooperation has been commendable. The interest has been enthusuastic, however, there are still too many Negroes qualified who are not registered.

We have moved into the second phase of the project's program of teaching Voter Education. Since October 3, we have been busy making every meeting and gathering that came to our attention, lecturing and demonstrating to our people the mechanics of voting. We have plans for a massive effort in this area on Sunday, November 1, 1964. We have requested the use of the school buildings throughout the county for this purpose. On first Sunday we hope to have seminars on Voter Education from 3:00 P. M. until 5:00 P. M., at nine centers situated throughout the county. These will be Non-Partisan seminars. If we are unable to secure the schools, we hope to use churches instead.

Spartanburg has a plan for Voter Education which is now being implemented throughout the county. The leaders in Spartanburg are working very diligently to educate their constituents on how to vote.

Laurens held a mass meeting October 14, 1964, for the purpose of educating their people to use the ballot. They are also busy arranging smaller meetings over the county. There were apptoximately 1,000 persons present last evening last evening at Saint Paul Baptist Church for the Laurens mass meeting.

The Congressional District Organization met in Spartanburg, Tuesday, September 15, 1964. There were 48 people present. Progress reports were given from each county and there was a discussion of the State-wide Office in view of the fact that the Regional Office is culminating its program.

As soon as the official figures can be obtained of the tatal number of people registered in each county, and the numbers by race, we will forward them to you.

Respectfully submitted,

Nathaniel J. Brockman

Nathaniel J. Brockman
Director

NJB/cw
cc: Mr. Richard Miles

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THE GREENVILLE CITY AND COUNTY
CRUSADE FOR VOTERS REGISTRATION
125½ Falls Street, Suite 4
Greenville, South Carolina

October 27, 1964

From: Director of Greenville City and County Crusade for Voters Registration
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To : All Citizens, City and County

Subject: November 2, County-wide Mass Meeting

All citizens of Greenville City and County are urged to be present at a mass meeting, Monday evening, November 2, 1964, at Tabernacle Baptist Church, at 400 Hudson Street, at 8:00 P. M.. The urgency of Getting-Out-The-Vote on Election Day necessitates our coming together in a mass meeting to be certain that the community is inspired to its maximum for this all important duty that must be performed.

President Johnson stated in his Columbia's Speech, October 26, that "On November 3, when you go to the polls to cast your ballot for the man or the party of your choice, each American would be equal". Because of the issues involved in this election, no Negro can afford to stay home and not vote on November 3.

Reverend C. T. Vivian, Director of Affiliates of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, of which Dr. Martin Luther King is President, will be Guest Speaker. Reverend Vivian has been involved in the struggle for human dignity in Nashville, Birmingham, Albany, Greensboro, Mississippi, and Saint Augustine. He is now concentrating his efforts in South Carolina in The-Get-Out-The-Vote Movement.

If you believe in human dignity and are interested in attaining your freedom, and maintaining freedom for the Negro in the next decade and peace throughout the world, vote November 3, and meet us at Tabernacle Monday night.

Free transportation will be available if you will call the following numbers:

CE 3-0806	CE-96248	CE 3-2589
CE 9-5451	CE 5-4447	CE 5-0547
	CE 5-0687.	

This transportation will be provided for those who will not have transportation to the polls on Election Day.

Yours for Freedom,
Harrison Rearden
Harrison Rearden, Chairman
Nathaniel J. Brockman
Nathaniel J. Brockman, Director

NJB/cw

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SAMPLE BALLOT, GENERAL ELECTION

GREENVILLE COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA

Precinct _____

NOVEMBER 3, 1964

OFFICE	DEMOCRAT ⊗	REPUBLICAN ○	
Senate	☐ P. Bradley Morrah, Jr.		
Sheriff	☐ J. R. Martin		
County Solicitor	☐ C. Victor Pyle		
Register Mesne Conveyance	☐ Ollie S. Farnsworth		
Supervisor	☐ John P. Ashmore, Jr.		
Coroner	☐ George W. McCoy, Sr.		
Clerk of Court	☐ Margaret W. Ross		
House of Repre-tatives (Vote for 11)	☐ Rex L. Carter ☐ Harry A. Chapman, Jr. ☐ Fred A. Fuller, Jr. ☐ Charles G. Garrett ☐ Herbert C. Granger ☐ Beattie E. Huff ☐ Lloyd E. Hunt ☐ Clyde D. Jenkins, Jr. ☐ Fred N. McDonald ☐ Richard W. Riley ☐ Nick A. Theodore	☐ L. W. Anderson ☐ John K. Earle, Jr. ☐ Carolyn E. Frederick ☐ Jesse L. Helms ☐ F. Asbury Lawton ☐ Mrs. Ruth W. Nicholson ☐ E. Douglas Patton ☐ Thomas A. Roe, Jr. ☐ Glenn H. Smith ☐ William H. Stroud ☐ Mrs. Mildred Whitmire	

INSTRUCTIONS—To vote a straight party ticket, make a cross (X) in the circle (O) under the name of your party. Nothing further need or should be done. To vote a mixed ticket, or in other words for candidates of different parties, or by petition, omit making a cross (X) in the party circle at the top and make a cross (X) mark in the voting square ☐ opposite the name of each candidate on the ballot for whom you wish to vote. If you wish to vote for a candidate not on any ticket, write or place the name of such candidate on your ticket opposite the name of the office. Before leaving the booth, fold the ballot so that the name of the manager may be seen on the outside.

SAMPLE BALLOT
General Election

GREENVILLE COUNTY SOUTH CAROLINA

NOVEMBER 3, 1964

Precinct _____

OFFICE	DEMOCRAT ⊗	REPUBLICAN ○	

Conveyance			
Supervisor	☐ John P. Ashmore, Jr.		
Coroner	☐ George W. McCoy, Sr.		
Clerk of Court	☐ Margaret W. Ross		
House of Repre-tatives (Vote for 11)	☐ Rex L. Carter ☐ Harry A. Chapman, Jr. ☐ Fred A. Fuller, Jr. ☐ Charles G. Garrett ☐ Herbert C. Granger ☐ Beattie E. Huff ☐ Lloyd E. Hunt ☐ Clyde D. Jenkins, Jr. ☐ Fred N. McDonald ☐ Richard W. Riley ☐ Nick A. Theodore	☐ L. W. Anderson ☐ John K. Earle, Jr. ☐ Carolyn E. Frederick ☐ Jesse L. Helms ☐ F. Asbury Lawton ☐ Mrs. Ruth W. Nicholson ☐ E. Douglas Patton ☐ Thomas A. Roe, Jr. ☐ Glenn H. Smith ☐ William H. Stroud ☐ Mrs. Mildred Whitmire	

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SAMPLE BALLOT
General Election
GREENVILLE COUNTY SOUTH CAROLINA
NOVEMBER 3, 1964

Precinct _____

OFFICE	DEMOCRAT	REPUBLICAN	
	Lyndon B. Johnson PRESIDENT Hubert H. Humphrey VICE-PRESIDENT	Barry M. Goldwater PRESIDENT William E. Miller VICE-PRESIDENT	
Presidential and Vice-Presidential Electors	☐ George Bell Timmerman, Jr. ☐ Mrs. Claude P. Cook ☐ W. J. McLeod, Jr. ☐ Henry H. Edens ☐ H. Mason DuPre ☐ Sapp Funderburke ☐ C. W. F. Spencer, Jr. ☐ Eugene N. Zeigler	☐ J. Drake Edens, Jr. ☐ Julia R. Dougherty ☐ Arthur Ravenel, Jr. ☐ Floyd D. Spence ☐ James E. Duffy ☐ Jeff R. Richardson, Jr. ☐ W.W.Wannamaker,III ☐ Elizabeth L. Forrester	_____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____

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Compliments of your Democratic Delegation to the S. C. House of Representatives

Maintain the momentum and vote on November 3rd

RE-ELECT THE EXPERIENCED DEMOCRATIC DELEGATION TO THE S. C. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ON NOVEMBER 3rd

MAINTAIN THE MOMENTUM! **Keep Greenville County Growing in Jobs and Job Opportunities . . . Increased Incomes . . . Higher Retail Sales . . . More and Better Schools, Hospitals and Highways . . . Effective, Experienced Representation in the S. C. Legislature!**

KEEP THE DEMOCRATIC DELEGATION THAT WAS ELECTED INSTEAD OF SELECTED!

See reverse side for sample machine ballot

Sample Ballot -- General Election

1ST TURN SWITCH RIGHT TO CLOSE CURTAINS

2ND MARK YOUR BALLOT AND LEAVE MARKS SHOWING →

WARNING—YOUR ☒ MARKS MUST BE SHOWING FOR VOTE TO REGISTER

3RD TURN SWITCH LEFT

(AS SHOWN ON VOTING MACHINE)

Greenville County, S. C.

Tuesday, November 3, 1964

NOTE: When voting on the machine LEAVE THE LEVERS WITH CROSSES SHOWING—LIKE THIS

Name of CANDIDATE

PRESIDENTIAL AND VICE-PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS

Vote For Eight

REP. IN CONGRESS

Vote For One

Column 1

DEMOCRAT

LOCAL OFFICES

GENERAL ELECTION
Greenville County, S. C.
Tuesday, November 3, 1964

ROBERT T. ASHMORE

REX L. CARTER

HARRY A. CHAPMAN, JR.

Column 2

DEMOCRAT

NATIONAL OFFICES

LYNDON B. JOHNSON
PRESIDENT

HUBERT H. HUMPHREY
VICE-PRESIDENT

GENERAL ELECTION
Greenville County, S. C.
Tuesday, November 3, 1964

GEORGE BELL TIMMERMAN, JR.

MRS. CLAUDE P. COOK

W. J. McLEOD, JR.

HENRY H. EDENS

H. MASON DuPRE

SAPP FUNDERBURKE

C. W. F. SPENCER, JR.

EUGENE N. ZEIGLER

Column 3

REPUBLICAN

LOCAL OFFICES

GENERAL ELECTION
Greenville County, S. C.
Tuesday, November 3, 1964

L. W. ANDERSON

JOHN K. EARLE, JR.

Column 4

REPUBLICAN

NATIONAL OFFICES

BARRY M. GOLDWATER
PRESIDENT

WILLIAM E. MILLER
VICE-PRESIDENT

GENERAL ELECTION
Greenville County, S. C.
Tuesday, November 3, 1964

I. DRAKE EDENS, JR.

JULIA R. DOUGHERTY

ARTHUR RAVENEL, JR.

FLOYD D. SPENCE

JAMES E. DUFFY

JEFF R. RICHARDSON, JR.

W. W. WANNAMAKER, III

ELIZABETH L. FORRESTER

PRESIDENTIAL AND VICE-PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS

Vote For Eight

- MRS. CLAUDE P. COOK
- W. J. McLEOD, JR.
- HENRY H. EDENS
- H. MASON DuPRE
- SAPP FUNDERBURKE
- C. W. F. SPENCER, JR.
- EUGENE N. ZEIGLER
- JULIA R. DOUGHERTY
- ARTHUR RAVENEL, JR.
- FLOYD D. SPENCE
- JAMES E. DUFFY
- JEFF R. RICHARDSON, JR.
- W. W. WANNAMAKER, III
- ELIZABETH L. FORRESTER

REP. IN CONGRESS

Vote For One

- ROBERT T. ASHMORE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Vote For Eleven

- REX L. CARTER
- HARRY A. CHAPMAN, JR.
- FRED A. FULLER, JR.
- CHARLES G. GARRETT
- HERBERT C. GRANGER
- BEATTIE E. HUFF
- LLOYD E. HUNT
- CLYDE D. JENKINS, JR.
- FRED N. McDONALD
- RICHARD W. RILEY
- NICK A. THEODORE
- L. W. ANDERSON
- JOHN K. EARLE, JR.
- CAROLYN E. FREDERICK
- JESSE L. HELMS
- F. ASBURY LAWTON
- MRS. RUTH W. NICHOLSON
- E. DOUGLAS PATTON
- THOMAS A. ROE, JR.
- GLENN H. SMITH
- WILLIAM H. STROUD
- MRS. MILDRED WHITMIRE

SENATE

Vote For One

- P. BRADLEY MORRAH, JR.

SHERIFF

Vote For One

- J. R. MARTIN

COUNTY SOLICITOR

Vote For One

- C. VICTOR PYLE

REG. MESNE CONVEYANCE

Vote For One

- OLLIE S. FARNSWORTH

SUPERVISOR

Vote For One

- JOHN P. ASHMORE, JR.

CORONER

Vote For One

- GEORGE W. McCOY, SR.

CLERK OF COURT

Vote For One

- MARGARET W. ROSS

See reverse side for sample paper ballot

November 16, 1964

Mr. J. T. W. Mims
c/o Fourth Congressional District
Voter Education Project
Suite 4 - 125½ Falls Street
Greenville, South Carolina RE: VEP 4-25

Dear Mr. Mims:

Thank you for your letter of November 10. Please note that our letter of October 29 read, "At some time during the past 2½ years . . . ." The only support which has been sent to Laurens County was that which you received through the Fourth Congressional District, beginning in July, 1964.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:js

Note: Copies made for Voting Returns Analysis file, news clip attached to this copy also in Analysis file

WB/
JM

Laurens County Citizen Improvement Organization

Laurens-Clinton, South Carolina

November 10. 1964

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Wiley A. Branton Project Director,
Voter Education Project,
Atlanta, Ga.
Dear Mr. Branton:

In reference to your letter of October 29, 1964 please be advised of the following:

1. Our relationship with the Laurens County Board Of Registration is not what we desire, therefore we are not able to get the Precinct breakdown.

2. We do not have a daily paper in Laurens County, however enclosed you will find a copy of Clinton Chronicle one of our weekly papers showing the Precinct results.

3. In a meeting November 9, 1964 of Officers of Laurens County Citizens Improvement Organization and other interested Negro Citizens, we discussed and were very proud of the participation of the Negroes of Laurens County at various Precinct voting places.
As Chairman I visited a majority of the Precincts in Laurens County on November 3, 1964 and I did not find any resentment, humiliation or rejections to Negro Voters.

4. There were no Negroes running for Public Office in Laurens County.

In first paragraph of your letter dated Oct 29, 1964 you stated "that during past two and one half years your area has been the recipient of financial assistance for Voter Regristration activity from Voter Education Project", please inform us of the direct source through which Laurens County received financial assistance prior to July 1964.

Reply sent 11/16/64

Please know that Laurens County Citizens Improvement Organization thank you and your staff and other officials for the financial assistance given us since July 1964 and we have pledged to continue our regristration efforts.

Sincerely Yours

J.T.W.Sims Chairman Laurens Co. Voter Regg.

B.L.Thompson Sec

B.L. Thompson

Ck in file

Paid 12/7/64

November 30, 1964

Mr. Harrison Rearden
Suite 4
125½ Falls Street
Greenville, South Carolina

RE: VEP 4-25

Dear Mr. Rearden:

The delay in sending VEP the final financial report and refund of any unexpended portion of your grant is rather embarrassing to me. If you have not sent this report by the time you receive this letter, will you then please phone me collect here in Atlanta so that we can discuss the matter.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:js

Note: This letter never mailed but the contents were discussed in a phone conversation between WAB + Rearden 11/30/64 - Rearden promised to send info at once.

November 17, 1964

Mr. Harrison Rearden
Suite 4
125½ Falls Street
Greenville, South Carolina

RE: VEP 4-25

Dear Mr. Rearden:

This will acknowledge receopt of your letter of November 14. We must have an immediate report of all expenditures to date, together with a refund of the unexpended portion of your grant, even though you may not yet have received all receipts of expenditures. You should followup and send us the necessary reports as soon as possible, which should include an accounting of the $50 we went to Spartanburg. Will ypu please arrange to have this in our office by November 23, 1964.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:js
cc: Financial

WB
JL

NOV 16 1964

FOURTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT
125½ Falls Street, Suite 4
Greenville, South Carolina

November 14, 1964

Southern Regional Council
Voter Education Project
Mr. Wiley Branton
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton:

Unfortunately, at the present, we are unable to forward to you the last VEP Reports because all receipts of expenditures have not been received, including receipts from Spartanburg's accounting of $50.00.

At the earliest possible date we shall forward all pertinent information and all receipts.

Thanking you for your time and consideration, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

Harrison Rearden -CW

Harrison Rearden
Chairman of Fourth Congressional
District, Voter Education Project

HR/cw

November 10, 1964

Mr. Harrison Rearden
Suite 4
125½ Falls Street
Greenville, South Carolina

RE: VEP 4-25

Dear Mr. Rearden:

Will ypu please answer our letter of October 22, 1964, in which we requested an accounting of the $50 sent to the Spartanburg voter project. You should also send us an accounting of any funds spent since your last report, together with a check made payable to the Voter Education Project as a refund of any money remaining in your VEP account.

I congratulate you and your organization for the very excellmt job which you did in increasing the number of registered voters in your district.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:js

October 22, 1964

Mr. Harrison Rearden
Suite 4
125½ Falls Street
Greenville, South Carolina

VEP 4-25

Dear Mr. Rearden:

This will acknowledge receipt of your financial reporting which arrived in the morning mail. You have appsemntly accounted for $371.94, leaving an approximate balance in your Fourth Congressional District account of $381.17.

Now that the registration deadline has been reached in South Carolina, we see no further need for you to spend funds from the grant which we made to you, and we therefore request that you immediately pay over to the Voter Education Project all of the unused portion of your grant.

I note that you made a check out to Mrs. Hattie Barksdale of the Spartanburg voter project on October 9 in the amount of $50. Why was it necessary to send a petty cash fund to Spartanburg after the registration books had closed? We will also need an accounting from Mrs. Barksdale of this $50.

Please do not delay in closing this account out with out office as we are trying to see if we wâl have any funds to support a "Get-Out-The-Vote" campaign.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:js
cc: Rev. Nathaniel J. Brockman

WB

M E M O R A N D U M December 9, 1964

TO: Wiley A. Branton
FROM: Jean Levine
RE: Final Accounting on VEP 4-25
(4th Cong. Dist.)

Grant: $5500.00

Disbursements:

Adv. Print. & Prom.	$148.48	
Fix. & Equip.	20.50	
Office Rent	65.00	
Office Supplies	601.32	
Postage	131.22	
Salaries	3370.48	
Trav. & Trans.	1017.30	
Tel. & Tel.	141.70	
Utilities	4.00	
Total		5500.00

jl

MAY 23 1964

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE

TWENTY WEST FORTIETH STREET • NEW YORK 18, N. Y. • BRyant 9-1400

Please direct reply to:

W. C. Patton
Field Secretary
234 Hernando Street
Memphis 5, Tenn.
525-6057

May 21, 1964

Wiley A. Branton, Esquire
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Sir:

Attached please find a budget for Fort Lauderdale, Fort Walton, Fort Pierce and Pompano Beach, Florida. I have decided on a change from Sarasota to Fort Walton Beach because I was informed they had about reached their saturation point there even though there was a request for a campaign.

I sincerely hope that early, favorable consideration will be given the request for funds to help pay the salaries and travel of staff members.

With kindest regards, I remain

Yours truly,

W. C. Patton

WCP/lc
Encl.

YEP 4-26

MAY 23 1964

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT (NAACP)

PROPOSED BUDGET

Period 7 Weeks

Place: Florida Date: May 21, 1964

	Ft. Lauderdale	Ft. Walton Beach	Ft. Pierce	Pompano Beach
Salaries - Professional	$ 450.00	$ 450.00	$ 450.00	$ 450.00
Clerical	270.00	270.00	270.00	270.00
Travel	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
Transportation	400.00	300.00	350.00	300.00
Office Rent	100.00	80.00	100.00	80.00
Tele. & Tele	60.00	60.00	60.00	60.00
Publicity & Promotion	200.00	100.00	150.00	75.00
Office Supplies	50.00	35.00	50.00	35.00
Printing Supplies	125.00	100.00	125.00	100.00
Furniture & Fixtures	75.00	50.00	75.00	50.00
General (Lump Sums)	125.00	100.00	125.00	100.00
Postage	50.00	35.00	50.00	35.00
Total	$1,945.00	$1620.00	$1,785.00	$1,595.00

Submitted by [illegible]

June 15, 1964

Mr. W. C. Patton
234 Hernando Street
Memphis, Tennessee

VEP 4-26
RE: Florida Programs

Dear Mr. Patton:

In considering your various requests for Florida registration programs, I have taken into consideration a number of things, including:

1. Amount of previous grants.
2. Results obtained.
3. Amount spent on previous program.

A review of the geographic breakdown of your expenditures reveals that in many instances, you have not spent anywhere near the amount of the actual grant. It is possible that you limited yourself in order to allow for the salaries of your field people, and if so, we will attempt to eliminate that difficulty.

We have approved a grant in the amount of $13,000 for VEP programs in fourteen (14) Florida cities which we expect you to run for from thirty to sixty days during the period June 15 to October 3, 1964. Our records reveal that you still have on hand funds for your Gainesville program, and therefore the $13,000 grant should give you $1,000 for each area. It appears that you have not spent any more than this for any area in your previous program, and in many instances, you spent considerably less than $1,000. you are authorized to increase or decrease the $1,000 allocation for any city, so long as your total Florida expenditure will not exceed the amount of this grant below the approximately $1,200 you have received for Gainesville. The cities to which you are currently being assigned are as follows:

Daytona Beach
Gainesville
Jacksonville

Marianna
Ocala
St. Petersburg
Tampa-Plant City
Winter-Haven
West Palm Beach
Orlando
Ft. Lauderdale
Fort Pierce
Pompano Beach
Ft. Walton Beach

Please let us know just when you expect to conduct these programs, and furnish us with the names and addresses of the respective directors as soon as they become available. It is our understanding that you will use non-VEP programs in support of your work in Tallahassee and St. Augustine, and we have not reached a decision in regard to Pensacola. Our check in the amount of $13,000 is being sent today together with a copy of this letter to Dr. John Morsell.

We are enclosing a copy of a letter to Mr. McClain which should clear up any necessity for you to receive funds for your field staff, and in this way, the full amount of the grant can be spent in each area.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:js

cc: Dr. John Morsell - (check for $13,000 sent to John Morsell as instructed) JJ
Mr. Richard McClain

WR-
BW

memo from w. c. patton JUL 2 1964

June 30, 1964

To: Mr. Wiley Branton

I am listing below a tenative schedule of dates on which we expect to get campaigns started in the State of Florida.

Week of July 6th --	St. Petersburg, Tampa and Plant City;
Week of July 13th --	Daytona Beach and West Palm Beach;
Week of July 20th --	Winter Haven and Gainesville
Week of July 27th --	Jacksonville
Week of Aug. 10th --	Orlando, Ocala, Ft. Pierce and Pompano Beach;
Week of Aug. 17th --	Ft. Lauderdale, Marrianna and Ft. Walton Beach;

VEP 4-26

memo from w. c. patton

June 30, 1964

To: Mr. Wiley Branton

We would like to have information on the Georgia campaigns as early as possible. We would also like to include Brunswick.

July 7, 1964

Dr. John Morsell
NAACP
20 West 40th Street
New York 18, New York

RE: VEP 4-26

Dear Dr. Morsell:

At the request of Mr. W. C. Patton, we have agreed to supplement your Florida VEP program by making an additional grant in the amount of $1,000 for work in Pensacola, Florida, and our check in the amount of $1,000 is enclosed herein.

Mr. Patton is authorized to consider Pensacola in the same manner as he does the other Florida assignments as covered by the VEP 4-26 grant letter dated June 15, 1964.

Very truly yours,

Wilby A. Branton

WAB:bs

cc: Mr. W. C. Patton

Encl: $1,000 check

July 13, 1964

Mr. Calvin Harris
President
Pensacola NAACP
401 North Reus Street
Pensacola, Florida

RE: VEP 4-26

Dear Mr. Harris:

I had hoped to be able to come to Pensacola to study your voter registration situation, but my schedule has not permitted this. I am pleased to inform you, however, that we have just approved a grant in the amount of $1,000 to the national office of NAACP for registration work in Pensacola.

You probably have already heard from Mr. W. C. Patton wihh reference to getting this program underway at an early date.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:js

cc: Mr. W. C. Patton

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401 N. Reus St.
Pensacola, Fla.
August 5, 1964

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Mr. Wiley A. Branton
Project Director
5 Forsyth St., N. W.
Room 206
Atlanta 3, Georgia

AUG 6 1964

Dear Mr. Branton:

Please excuse the delay in answering your letter. My work keeps me very busy, as I am sure yours does.

We understand your reason for not being able to come to Pensacola and appreciate your concern very much.

Thank you very much for the money. You may rest assured that it will be put to good use.

Our voter registration campaign has been very successful thus far. In the short time we have been working, we have registered more than 350 people. We are going to continue to work very hard to get many

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more registered.

Thank you very much for your interest in our campaign.

Yours truly,
Calvin R. Harris

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT (NAACP)

PROPOSED BUDGET

Period 5 weeks

Place: Florida Date: August 18, 1964

	Lake City				
Salaries - Professional	$ 240				
Clerical	150				
Travel	60				
Transportation	150				
Office Rent	50				
Tele. & Tele	100				
Publicity & Promotion	50				
Office Supplies	50				
Printing Supplies	125				
Furniture & Fixtures	75				
General (Lump Sums)	100				
Postage	50				
Total	$1200				

Submitted by S.C. Patton

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August 26, 1964

Dr. John Morsell
NAACP
20 West 40th Street
New York 18, New York

RE: VEP 4-26

Dear Dr. Morsell:

I enclose herein our check made payable to NAACP in the amount of $4,000 in support of a county-wide crash registration program in Dade County, Florida, which is now underway for a two-week period. This program is under the supervision of the Miami NAACP chapter, and was submitted to us for approval by Mr. W. C. Patton, whom we authorized to proceed at once in getting the program launched.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:jo
Encl: $4,000 check
cc: Mr. W. C. Patton

WB

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE

TWENTY WEST FORTIETH STREET • NEW YORK, N. Y. 10018 • BRyant 9-1400

Please direct reply to:

W. C. Patton
Associate Director
Voter Registration
234 Hernando Street
Memphis 5, Tenn.
527-8264

August 14, 1964

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Wiley A. Branton, Esq.
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Fifth Floor
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to our long distant telephone conversations, I am herewith submitting a budget for a two week crash campaign in Miama, Dade/Florida. You will please note that this is the budget as suggested by the local folk and suggested changes by me to be within the $4,000.00 grant which you have considered to make.

This is to be a county-wide campaign with participants from several local organizations. The chairman of the group is Mrs. Myra Range, a local mortician.

The registration books are to be placed throughout the county during the weeks of August 24th and Aug. 31st. It is thought that between 15,000 and 16,000 people maybe registered during this period.

Based upon what I thought I understood you to say, I have already sent Miss Hayes in to assist in the organizational structure of the campaign during this week. Also based upon our conversation, we have advanced $500.00 to help get the project organized. Personally, I believe some meaningful results can be attained.

With best wishes, I remain

Yours truly,

W. C. Patton

W. C. Patton

WCP/lc
Encl.

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PROPOSED BUDGET FOR VOTER REGISTRATION DRIVE

MIAMI,DADE/FLORIDA

		SUGGESTED
50 Poll workers for door to door canvassing by blocks ($~~50.00~~ a week or $~~10.00~~ a day) $25.00 $ 5.00	$ 5,000.00	$2,500.00
1 General Coordinator ($100.00 per week) 3 wks	200.00	300.00
Newspaper Advertising (Page each week in Flash & Times)	400.00	100.00
Clerical Services		150.00
Printing Placards, Handbills, Tags Bumper Strips - Car Tops	1,500.00	250.00
Radio Advertising ($200.00 each WAME & WMBM)	400.00	200.00
Transportation (Rent 4 cars for 2 weeks)	500.00	600.00
Miscellaneous	2,00.00	400.00

No members of coordinating committee to be paid

No charge at Roosevelt for use of offices or telephones

August 28, 1964

Mr. W. C. Patton
234 Hernando Street
Memphis, Tennessee

RE: VEP 4-26

Dear Mr. Patton:

I have checked further on the proposed CORE registration project in Lake City, Florida, and am advised that while they contemplate some work there at a later date, they do not have anything going on at this time. I therefore see no reason why you cannot proceed to conduct a VEP program there.

We are not going to make an additional grant at this time for Lake City, but you are authorized to use any portion of your existing Florida grant for work in Lake City. If it develops that your total Florida expenditures exceed the amount of the grant, then we can always make you a supplemental grant. This does not mean, however, that your expenditures should exceed the amount of approval for each place in excess of our previous instructions regarding your whole Florida program.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

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September 14, 1964

Mr. Herbert Torrence
411½ Broad Street
Jacksonville, Florida

Dear Mr. Torrence:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of September 5 regarding a grant for voter registration work in Jacksonville, Florida. Any program which we conduct in your city will be operated through Mr. W. C. Patton of NAACP, as the present one is being done, and any budget request should be submitted to him.

I asked Mr. Due why you sent a budget to me, since you are working on a program of NAACP's, and he informs me that he suggested that you send a budget to Mr. Patton with a copy coming to our office.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

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BUDGET FOR THREE WEEK'S REGISTRATION PROGRAM

25 Field Workers at $8.00 per day	$200.00 weelly
office help 2 secretarys 1 coordinator	150.00 "
2 autos and drivers	150.00 "

Miscelaneous in office $40.00 for 3 weeks

$4,200.00	Field Workers
450.00	Office workers
450.00	for cars and drivers
40.00	for mis. for office paper ect.
5,140.00	for 3 weeks(21 days)

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Crusade For Voters
411½ Broad St.
Jacksonville, Fla.
September 5, 1964

Voter Education Project
Mr. Wiley Branton
5 Forsyth N.W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Mr. Wiley:

I met with Mr. John Due Friday September 4, we had a lengthy discussion about our voter Registration Drive, we came to the conclusion that our major problem is inadequate finance.

Mr. Due youe Field Representative suggested to me that I submitt a budget to your office for the final three weeks of the campaign. Enclosed you will find a partial budget for the three weeks program, we are now receiving some aid from Mr. W. C. Pattons office in Memphis, Tennessee, his office is paying one Secretary $25.00 per week a part time coordinator $25.00 per week. rent for office space, gas expense, telephone expense, and general office expense.

I feel that if this budget is approved by your office, with it and the aid we are getting from Mr. Pattons office, we can add 10,000 names to our voter registration roll.

P.S. We will have night and Saturday Voter Registration.

Respectfully yours

Herbert Torrence

Mr. Herbert Torrence, Coordinator

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Proposed NAACP Florida Program:
Between June 15 and October 3, 1964

Approx balance fund as of 1/28/64			Spent since 1/1/64	Amount Requested	Amt. Approved
1440	980	Daytona Beach	865	*1055 (Approved 1870)	1000
422	1200	Hainesville		(Has VEP Money 1450) Sent* 1400 8/5/63	Has money
6610	1330	Jacksonville	448	*1445 (Req. July 63)	1,000
624		Marianna		1740 (Req. 1050 July 63 Sent 8/5	1,000
1971		Ocala		1740 (Req. 9/30/63) 1,000	1,000
1780	740	St. Petersburg	23	1970 (Req. 1380 - July 63)	1,000
1098		Tampa - Plant City	290	1855 (Req. 1395 July 63) Sent 8/5	1,000
	920	Winter Haven	527	* (1200)	1,000
		West Palm Beach		1740	1,000
1131	795	Orlando	337	* (1200)	1,000
		Ft. Lauderdale		1945	1,000
		Fort Pierce		1785	1,000
		Pompano Beach		1595	1,000
		Fort Walton Beach		1620	1,000
				Total Req — 22,290	13,000

*Note - VEP on 11/18/63 gave NAACP 4,650 for
- Jax
- Winter Haven
- Daytona Beach
- Orlando

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REGISTERED VOTERS IN BROWARD COUNTY
PRIMARIES - MAY 1964
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		DEMOCRAT			REPUBLICAN			OTHERS				
PCT	TOTAL	White	Negro	Other	White	Negro	Other	White	Negro	Other	MALE	FEMALE
1	1,919	826	456		522	77		37	1		928	991
1A	1,630	511	1	1 Br	1,049	1		67			782	848
2	2,142	1,201			866			75			1,016	1,126
2A	1,558	577			923	1		57			750	808
2B	577	351			204			22			301	276
3	570	260			300			10			262	308
4	1,476	853		1 Br	555			67			701	775
4A	2,066	1,149	4		833	1		79			1,043	1,023
4B	1,534	550			936			48			726	808
4C	804	478			308			18			411	393
4D	1,344	759			538			47			646	698
5	1,600	575			989	1		35			748	852
6	1,416	808			562			46			671	745
6A	913	425			456			32			445	468
7	1,901	1	1,618	4 Br		261			16	1 Br	949	952
8	812	522		4 Br	271			15			420	392
9	1,201	751		1 Br 1Y	418			30			566	635
9A	1,119	488			598			33			505	614
10	928	421			458			49			436	492
11	2,777	1,205			1,464			108			1,341	1,436
11A	3,101	1,356			1,624			121			1,528	1,573
12	1,267	720			499			48			596	671
12A	1,643	1,006			582			55			815	828
12B	1,234	626		1 Br	566			41			590	644
13	1,829	940			831			58			851	978
13A	1,048	419			577			52			480	568
13B	1,090	633	115	2 Br	250	51		37		2 Br	531	559
14	2,347	1,541		2 Br 1Y	737			65		1 Y	1,223	1,124
14A	891	617			242			32			450	441

REGISTERED VOTERS IN BROWARD COUNTY
PRIMARIES - MAY 1964
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		DEMOCRAT			REPUBLICAN			OTHERS				
PCT	TOTAL	White	Negro	Other	White	Negro	Other	White	Negro	Other	MALE	FEMALE
15	750	229	379		78	53		10	1		388	362
16	1,819	1,131	1		641			46			866	953
17	1,393	816			551			26			639	754
18	1,377	675			651		1 Br	50			646	731
19	1,635	681			898			56			770	865
20	1,054	433			584			37			485	569
21	1,375	622			727			26			604	771
22	726	336			355			35			329	397
23	1,176	643		3 Y	492			38			524	652
24	1,107	629			456			22			468	639
25	812	452			336			24			338	474
26	931	573		2 Y	338			18			376	555
27	909	660			226			23			444	465
28	775	489			276			10			362	413
29	1,201	818			357			26			567	634
30	801	573			221			7			372	429
31	820	596			211		1 Y	12			411	409
32	987	642			329			16			500	487
33	1,337	965			350			22			660	677
34	1,747		1,505			235			7		857	890
34A	752		660			89			3		384	368
35	1,774		1,565			201			8		861	913
36	1,262	810			427			25			629	633
37	1,259	798			432			29			600	659
38	818	615			188			15			379	439
39	864		737			123		4			437	427
40	804	532			254			17		1 Y	357	447
41	615	446			160			9			260	355
42	978	607			354			17			406	572

REGISTERED VOTERS IN BROWARD COUNTY
PRIMARIES - MAY 1964
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PCT	TOTAL	DEMOCRAT			REPUBLICAN			OTHERS			Male	Female
		White	Negro	Other	White	Negro	Other	White	Negro	Other		
43	843	520			300			23			327	516
44	1,134	492			604			38			523	611
45	1,808	820	2		922	1		63			834	974
46	912	514		1 Br	369			28			425	487
47	1,341	856			462			23			575	766
48	623	453			159			11			282	341
49	429	284			135			10			180	249
50	900	668			221			11			417	483
51	1,320	797		1 Y	498			24			606	714
52	823	564			244			15			367	456
53	1,222	835			352			35			556	666
54	217	155			61			1			97	120
55	1,151	792			331			28			554	597
56	583	414			156			13			301	282
57	1,035	530		1 Y	472			32			489	546
58	1,099	705			363			31			545	554
58A	1,190	754			394			42			591	599
59	1,681	1,092			537			51		1 Y	836	845
60	671	468			182			21			317	354
60A	1,464	886			540			38			702	762
61	1,602	1,025			537			40			768	834
62	1,679	984			646			49			817	862
63	1,403	906	62		388	5	1 Br	41			738	665
63A	1,508	1,052			414			42			771	737
64	1,022		882			136			4		495	527
65	2,497	1,582		2 Y	848			65			1,274	1,223
65A	1,312	925			344			43			697	615
66	965	625			316			24			488	477
66A	1,135	632			478			25			585	550
66B	1,694	1,185		1 Y	448			59		1 Br	858	836

REGISTERED VOTERS IN BROWARD COUNTY
PRIMARIES - MAY 1964
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PCT	TOTAL	DEMOCRAT White	DEMOCRAT Negro	DEMOCRAT Other	REPUBLICAN White	REPUBLICAN Negro	REPUBLICAN Other	OTHERS White	OTHERS Negro	OTHERS Other	MALE	FEMALE
67	1,868	1,388	38	1 R	405	6	1 Y	28	1		982	886
68	1,131	798			304			29			576	555
68A	1,106	777			286			43			548	558
69	767	1	681	11 Br		74					384	383
70	678	509			142			27			347	331
71	1,545	1,148			356			41			754	791
72	648		602			41			5		318	330
73	2,429	1,717			634			77		1 Y	1,195	1,234
74	768	570			181			17			363	405
75	1,275	879			357			39			581	694
76	1,657	1,192			420			45			809	848
77	1,594	1,198			345			51			761	833
78	1,294	1,000			265			29			603	691
78A	1,719	1,208			450			61			841	878
79	1,468	1,039		2 Y 1 R	393			33			661	807
80	653	459	1		167			26			317	336
81	1,477	1,069			369			36		3 Y	663	814
82	1,015	738			246			31			482	533
83	1,161	810		1 Br	323			27			522	639
84	720	542			166			12			348	372
85	1,209	917			260			32			570	639
86	861	673			166			22			409	452
87	1,412	966		1 Y	412			33			660	752
88	1,476		1,354			115			7		729	747
89	1,218	929		1 Br	255			33			609	609
89A	757	583			161			13			380	377
90	2,138	1,674	3		426			35			1,045	1,093
91	1,336	1,044	1		245			46			651	685
91A	1,295	982			286			27			668	627

REGISTERED VOTERS IN BROWARD COUNTY
PRIMARIES - MAY 1964
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		DEMOCRAT			REPUBLICAN			OTHERS				
PCT	TOTAL	White	Negro	Other	White	Negro	Other	White	Negro	Other	MALE	FEMALE
92	1,189		1,022			160			7		568	621
93	1,268	988		1 Br	257			22			640	628
94	1,532	1,096			401			35			741	791
94A	686	526			148		1 Br	11			368	318
94B	1,708	1,305		1 Y	359		1 Y	42			852	856
95	1,576	1,164		1 Br	375			36			795	781
95A	2,015	1,551			410			54			1,034	981
96	1,457	1,123			302			32			723	734
96A	930	702			194			34			449	481
97	1,215	926			274			15			637	578
97A	647	493			144			10			319	328
98	2,280	1,718		2 Br	514			46			1,214	1,066
98A	1,994	1,604			366			24			1,043	951
99	908	730		1 Y	152			25			440	468
99A	467	346			108			13			239	228
100	702	520			173			9			350	352
100A	607	436			149			22			299	308
101	2,060	1,492		1 Br 43 R	443		1 Br 4 R	74		2 R	1,050	1,010
101A	1,259	965		1 Br	265			28			620	639
	171,033	100,350	11,689	36 Br 17 Y 45 R	52,825	1,632	4 Br 3 Y 4 R	4,355	60	4 Br 7 Y 2 R	82,802	88,231
TOTAL	171,033	100,350	11,689	98	52,825	1,632	11	4,355	60	13	82,802	88,231

Total Democrats	112,137
Total Republicans	54,468
Total Others	4,428
	171,033

Total Whites	157,530
Total Negro	13,381
Total Brown	44
Total Yellow	27
Total Indian	51
	171,033

NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Rec'd 9/3/64

Period covered by this report: From June 25 to June 31 19 64

Person reporting Mr. Joseph W. Lampkins

842 28th St. South St. Petersburg Pinellas Florida

Street Address City County State

Date submitted: August 11, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Pinellas County

Ward, Beat, Etc. Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 200

Number instructed at home 100

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 75

Number successfully registered by this project this week 75

Number denied registration in this project this week None

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means Unk.

a. Specify means Churches, Club meetings; telephone calls;

Number refusing to participate 5

a. Reason for refusing to participate Not interested;

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 75

Number of workers in this campaign 80

Remarks

Reports must be sent weekly. Note: Attach narrative report to this.

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Period covered by this report: From July 20 to July 23 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. Alice Kendrick

300 Brainard Street — Street Address
Pensacola — City
Escambia — County
Florida — State

Date submitted: July 25, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Escambia County

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 250

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 100

Number successfully registered by this project this week 100

Number denied registration in this project this week None

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means 75

a. Specify means Telephone calls;

Number refusing to participate None

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 100

Number of workers in this campaign 125

Remarks

Reports must be sent weekly.

Note: Attach narrative report to this.

NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Period covered by this report: From July 20 to July 24 1964

Person reporting Mr. John S. Frink

563 Second Avenue — Street Address
Daytona Beach — City
Volusia — County
Florida — State

Date submitted: July 29, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Volusia County

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 155

Number instructed at home 45

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places Unk. a. Specify places Campaign headquarters

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 35

Number successfully registered by this project this week 20

Number denied registration in this project this week 15

a. Reason for denial Fifteen (15) persons were already registered;

Number contacted by other means Unk.

a. Specify means Newspaper coverage and telephone calls;

Number refusing to participate None

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 20

Number of workers in this campaign 17

Remarks

Reports must be sent weekly. Note: Attach narrative report to this.

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Period covered by this report: From July 20 to July 25 19 64

Person reporting Miss Margaret L. Jones

849 George Street — Street Address
Riviera Beach — City
Palm Beach — County
Florida — State

Date submitted: July 27, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Palm Beach County

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 350

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places — a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 221

Number successfully registered by this project this week 200

Number denied registration in this project this week 21

a. Reason for denial Six (6) have committed felonies; twelve (12) were underage; three (3) have not lived in city the required six months;

Number contacted by other means Unk.

a. Specify means Radio spot announcements; Churches;

Number refusing to participate 36

a. Reason for refusing to participate "Against religious beliefs";

Number of person successfully registered since the start 200

Number of workers in the campaign 48

Remarks

Reports must be sent weekly. Note: Attach narrative report to this.

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

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Period covered by this report: From July 20 to July 25 19 64

Person reporting Mr. William E. Tunstall

212 W. Amelia Avenue | Tampa | Hillsborough | Florida
Street Address | City | County | State

Date submitted: July 25, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Hillsborough County
Ward, Beat, Etc. | Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 600

Number instructed at home 100

Number instructed at clinics 30

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 75

Number successfully registered by this project this week 75

Number denied registration in this project this week None

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means Unk.

a. Specify means Mass Meeting; Newspaper coverage; Radio spot announcements; T.V.; handbills; letters; telephone calls;

Number refusing to participate 2

a. Reason for refusing to participate One person wanted time to think and the other person had to get the consent of her husband;

Number of person successfully registered since the start 75

Number of workers in the campaign 187

Remarks

Reports must be sent weekly. Note: Attach narrative report to this.

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Period covered by this report: From July 27 to July 31 1964

Person reporting Mr. William E. Tunstall

2921 N. 22nd St. Tampa Hillsborough Florida
Street Address City County State

Date submitted: August 2, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Hillsborough County
Ward, Beat, Etc. Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 997

Number instructed at home 300

Number instructed at clinics 164

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 174

Number successfully registered by this project this week 163

Number denied registration in this project this week 11

a. Reason for denial Felony convictions; Underage;

Number contacted by other means Thousands;

a. Specify means Newspaper coverage; Radio; handbills;

Number refusing to participate 2

a. Reason for refusing to participate Not interested;

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 238

Number of workers in this campaign 194

Remarks

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Period covered by this report: From July 27 to July 31 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. Alice Kendrick

300 East Brainerd Street — Street Address
Pensacola — City
Escambia — County
Florida — State

Date submitted: August 1, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Escambia County

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 301

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 184

Number successfully registered by this project this week 184

Number denied registration in this project this week None

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means 100

a. Specify means Telephone calls and personal contact:

Number refusing to participate None

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 284

Number of workers in this campaign 130

Remarks

Reports must be sent weekly.

Note: Attach narrative report to this.

NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

8/02/64

Period covered by this report: From July 27 to July 31 19 64

Person reporting Mr. Jno. S. Frink

563 - 2nd Avenue — Street Address
Daytona Beach — City
Volusia — County
Florida — State

Date submitted: August 4, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Volusia County

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 100

Number instructed at home 50

Number instructed at clinics Unk.

Number instructed other places Unknown a. Specify places Headquarters;

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 65

Number successfully registered by this project this week 39

Number denied registration in this project this week 26

a. Reason for denial "Already registered; "Not old enough";

Number contacted by other means Unk.

a. Specify means Newspaper coverage; Telephone calls and Radio Announcements;

Number refusing to participate None

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 59

Number of workers in this campaign 24

Remarks

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

8/22/64

Period covered by this report: From July 27 to August 1 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. Margaret L. Jones

849 George Street — Street Address
Riviera Beach — City
Palm Beach — County
Florida — State

Date submitted: August 3, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:
Palm Beach County

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 700

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 249

Number successfully registered by this project this week 212

Number denied registration in this project this week 37

a. Reason for denial Legal Residence not established; felony convictions;

Number contacted by other means Unknown

a. Specify means Radio and Newspaper coverage; handbills;

Number refusing to participate 18

a. Reason for refusing to participate Not interested; ill;

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 412

Number of workers in this campaign 123

Remarks

Reports must be sent weekly.

Note: Attach narrative report to this.

8/22/64

NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Period covered by this report: From August 3 to August 7 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. Margaret L. Jones

849 George Street — Street Address
Riviera Beach — City
Palm Beach — County
Florida — State

Date submitted: August 10, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:
Palm Beach County

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 771

Number instructed at home 432

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 254

Number successfully registered by this project this week 201

Number denied registration in this project this week 53

a. Reason for denial Legal residence not established; felony records; Not twenty-one years of age;

Number contacted by other means Thousands

a. Specify means Handbills; Newspaper coverage; Telephone calls; Radio and Television announcements;

Number refusing to participate 12

a. Reason for refusing to participate Jehovah Witnesses; Not interested;

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 613

Number of workers in this campaign 136

Remarks

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

8/22/64

Period covered by this report: From August 3 to August 7 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. Alice Kendrick

300 East Brainard Street — Street Address
Pensacola — City
Escambia — County
Florida — State

Date submitted: August 8, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Escambia County

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 500

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 218

Number successfully registered by this project this week 218

Number denied registration in this project this week None

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means 168

a. Specify means Personal contact and telephone calls;

Number refusing to participate 1

a. Reason for refusing to participate "Just didn't want to register";

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 502

Number of workers in this campaign 120

Remarks

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

8/22/64

Period covered by this report: From August 3 to August 7 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. Mable Richardson

643 Carter Street — Street Address
Orlando — City
Orange — County
Florida — State

Date submitted: August 10, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Orange County

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places — a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week In Organizational Stage

Number successfully registered by this project this week In Organizational Stage

Number denied registration in this project this week

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means 1200

a. Specify means Churches;

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start

Number of workers in this campaign 46

Remarks

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

8/24/64

Period covered by this report: From August 3 to August 7 19 64

Person reporting Mr. William E. Tunstall

212 Amelia Street — Street Address
Tampa — City
Hillsborough — County
Florida — State

Date submitted: August 8, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Hillsborough County

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 642

Number instructed at home 200

Number instructed at clinics 97

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 202

Number successfully registered by this project this week 201

Number denied registration in this project this week 1

a. Reason for denial Already registered; only needed card changed because he had moved;

Number contacted by other means Thousands

a. Specify means UPI; T.V.; Radio and Churches;

Number refusing to participate 1

a. Reason for refusing to participate "Had to check with husband";

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 439

Number of workers in this campaign 19

Remarks

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Note: Attach narrative report to this.

NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Rec'd 9/3/64

Period covered by this report: From August 3 to August 7 19 64

Person reporting Mr. Herbert Torrence

411½ Broad Street — Street Address
Jacksonville — City
Duval — County
Florida — State

Date submitted: August 7, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Duval County

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass In organizational stage;

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week In organizational stage

Number successfully registered by this project this week In organizational stage

Number denied registration in this project this week

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start

Number of workers in this campaign

Remarks In organizational stage;

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Recd 9/3/64

Period covered by this report: From August 3 to August 7 19 64

Person reporting Mr. Jno. S. Frink

563 2nd Avenue — Street Address
Daytona Beach — City
Volusia — County
Florida — State

Date submitted: August 10, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Volusia County

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 207

Number instructed at home 164

Number instructed at clinics 100

Number instructed other places Unk. a. Specify places Headquarters

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 176

Number successfully registered by this project this week 108

Number denied registration in this project this week 68

a. Reason for denial Already registered; Underage;

Number contacted by other means Unknown

a. Specify means Handbills and telephone calls;

Number refusing to participate 5

a. Reason for refusing to participate Not interested;

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 167

Number of workers in this campaign 22

Remarks

Reports must be sent weekly.

Note: Attach narrative report to this.

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Card 9/3/64

Period covered by this report: From August 1 to August 8 1964

Person reporting Mr. Joseph W. Lampkins

842 28th Street, South — St. Petersburg — Pinellas — Florida
Street Address — City — County — State

Date submitted: August 11, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Pinellas County
Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 650

Number instructed at home 500

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 400

Number successfully registered by this project this week 400

Number denied registration in this project this week None

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means Unk

a. Specify means Churches; handbills; cards; telephone calls;

Number refusing to participate 3

a. Reason for refusing to participate Not interested;

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 475

Number of workers in this campaign 93

Remarks

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Corrected Report

NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Period covered by this report: From August 3 to 9 1964

Person reporting Mrs. Mabel Richardson

643 Carter Street — Street Address
Orlando — City
Orange — County
Florida — State

Date submitted: August 10, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Orange County

Precincts and Districts — Ward, Beat, Etc.
Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places Telephone a. Specify places 18 in steering committee meeting, 21 telephone calls for committee meeting.

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week

Number successfully registered by this project this week

Number denied registration in this project this week

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means 1200

a. Specify means Bethel Baptist Church, Mt. Zion, Shiloh

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start

Number of workers in this campaign 46

Remarks From August 3 to 9 has been organizational meetings, telephone contacts, Committee Chairman and Precinct Captains.

A meeting is called for August 14 for all workers and interested persons to meet Miss Hayes for further information and instructions about the Kick-Off.

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Rec'd 9/3/64

Period covered by this report: From August 10 to August 14 19 64

Person reporting Miss Patricia Neely

1100 N. W. 6th St. — Street Address
Ft. Lauderdale — City
Broward — County
Florida — State

Date submitted: August 14, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Broward County

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 500

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 118

Number successfully registered by this project this week 118

Number denied registration in this project this week None

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means thousands

a. Specify means Radio; handbills;

Number refusing to participate None

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 118

Number of workers in this campaign

Remarks

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Rec'd 9/3/64

Period covered by this report: From August 10 to August 14 1964

Person reporting Mr. Herbert Torrence

411½ Broad Street — Street Address
Jacksonville — City
Duval — County
Florida — State

Date submitted: August 14, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Duval County

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 200

Number instructed at home 78

Number instructed at clinics 150

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 23

Number successfully registered by this project this week 23

Number denied registration in this project this week

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means 200

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 23

Number of workers in this campaign 10

Remarks

Reports must be sent weekly.

Note: Attach narrative report to this.

NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Rec'd 9/3/64

Period covered by this report: From August 10 to August 14 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. Althea Mills

1900 First Street — Street Address
Winter Haven — City
Polk — County
Florida — State

Date submitted: August 14, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Polk County

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 112

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places 189 a. Specify places Churches;

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 25

Number successfully registered by this project this week 25

Number denied registration in this project this week

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means Unk.

a. Specify means Churches; handbills; telephone calls;

Number refusing to participate None

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start

Number of workers in this campaign

Remarks

Reports must be sent weekly.

Note: Attach narrative report to this.

NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Rec'd 8/31/64

Period covered by this report: From August 10 to August 14 1964

Person reporting Mrs. Mabel Richardson

643 Carter Street — Street Address
Orlando — City
Orange — County
Florida — State

Date submitted: August 17, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Orange County

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass In organizational stage;

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week In organizational stage;

Number successfully registered by this project this week

Number denied registration in this project this week

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means In organizational stage;

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate In organizational stage;

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start

Number of workers in this campaign

Remarks In organizational stage;

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Rec'd 9/3/64

Period covered by this report: From August 10 to August 14 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. Alice Kendrick

300 East Brainerd Street — Street Address; Pensacola — City; Escambia — County; Florida — State

Date submitted: August 14, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Escambia County

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 435

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 231

Number successfully registered by this project this week 231

Number denied registration in this project this week None

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means 160

a. Specify means Personal contact; handbills; cards;

Number refusing to participate 3

a. Reason for refusing to participate Didn't have time; not interested;

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 733

Number of workers in this campaign 134

Remarks

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8/31/64 Rec'd

Period covered by this report: From August 10 to August 14 19 64

Person reporting Mr. Jno. S. Frink

563 2nd Avenue — Street Address
Daytona Beach — City
Volusia — County
Florida — State

Date submitted: August 18, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Volusia County

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 289

Number instructed at home 41

Number instructed at clinics 65

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 106

Number successfully registered by this project this week 61

Number denied registration in this project this week 45

a. Reason for denial "Previously registered;" "Not in county long enough"; "Not old enough";

Number contacted by other means Unk.

a. Specify means Telephone calls and personal contact;

Number refusing to participate 5

a. Reason for refusing to participate Apathy;

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 228

Number of workers in this campaign 17

Remarks

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8/31/64 Rec'd

Period covered by this report: From August 10 to August 14 19 64

Person reporting Mr. William E. Tunstall

212 W. Amelia — Street Address; Tampa — City; Hillsborough — County; Florida — State

Date submitted: August 15, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Hillsborough County

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 726

Number instructed at home 225

Number instructed at clinics 192

Number instructed other places 1000 a. Specify places Speakers Bureau sent out speakers - four Churches, Clubs, etc.

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 334

Number successfully registered by this project this week 334

Number denied registration in this project this week None

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means Thousands

a. Specify means Radio; Television; Newspaper coverage; handbills; personal contact; telephone calls;

Number refusing to participate None

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 773

Number of workers in this campaign 197

Remarks

Reports must be sent weekly. Note: Attach narrative report to this.

NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Rec'd 9/3/64

Period covered by this report: From August 10 to August 15 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. Margaret L. Jones

849 George Street — Street Address
Riviera Beach — City
Palm Beach — County
Florida — State

Date submitted: August 17, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.: Palm Beach County

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 600

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 503

Number successfully registered by this project this week 466

Number denied registration in this project this week 37

a. Reason for denial Underage; felony convictions; voted in other counties in May Primary;

Number contacted by other means Unk.

a. Specify means Television; Radio; Telephone calls;

Number refusing to participate 5

a. Reason for refusing to participate Illiteracy; apathy;

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 1029

Number of workers in this campaign 136

Remarks

Reports must be sent weekly.

Note: Attach narrative report to this.

NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Period covered by this report: From August 3 to August 15, 19 64

Person reporting Mozelle Williams, Pat Neely

1023½ N.W. 6th St. Ft. Lauderdale Broward Florida
Street Address City County State

Date submitted:

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: City, County

Ward, Beat, Etc. Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 960

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places Bars, Churches, Mass Meeting

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 143

Number successfully registered by this project this week 142

Number denied registration in this project this week 1

a. Reason for denial committed a felony

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means Radio, Handbills, Sound truck, etc.

Number refusing to participate 1

a. Reason for refusing to participate changed his mind

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 142

Number of workers in this campaign

Remarks We are sorry that the books closed. We feel we would have made good progress.

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Period covered by this report: From August 10 to 16 1964

Person reporting Mrs. Mabel Richardson

643 Carter Street — Street Address
Orlando — City
Orange — County
Florida — State

Date submitted: August 17, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Orange County

Precincts and Districts
Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 73

Number instructed at home Telephone committee contacted 176 persons

Number instructed at clinics 39 by Miss Hayes, Ass't Field Secretary to Mr. Patton. At this time an attact force was organized.

Number instructed other places a. Specify places 38 Club Presidents and 37 Church Ministers. Letters were mailed to each.

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 51

Number successfully registered by this project this week 51

Number denied registration in this project this week

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means Newspaper Advertisement

a. Specify means Personal contacts were made by Director to all Area Chairmen and Precinct Captains

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 51

Number of workers in this campaign 85

Remarks Miss Hayes, Ass't Secretary to Mr. Patton visited with us from 13 - 16 and organized our attack force for the campaign, plus she did a skit in procedure of the Board of Registration Campaign in which 27 youths participated.

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8/31/64 Rec'd

Period covered by this report: From August 15 to August 21 1964

Person reporting Miss Patricia Neely

1100 N. W. 6th Street — Street Address
Fort Lauderdale — City
Broward — County
Florida — State

Date submitted: August 21, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Broward County

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 460

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 24

Number successfully registered by this project this week 24

Number denied registration in this project this week

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means Unk.

a. Specify means Sound truck; handbills; radio;

Number refusing to participate None

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start

Number of workers in this campaign

Remarks

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8/31/64 Ernie

Period covered by this report: From August 17 to August 21 1964

Person reporting Mrs. Ernestine Collins

Route 3, Box 170 | Marrianna | Jackson | Florida

Street Address | City | County | State

Date submitted: August 22, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Jackson County

Ward, Beat, Etc. | Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 500

Number instructed at home 200

Number instructed at clinics 50

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 56

Number successfully registered by this project this week 56

Number denied registration in this project this week None

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means Unk.

a. Specify means Radio; telephone calls; letters;

Number refusing to participate None

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start

Number of workers in this campaign

Remarks

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8/31/64 Rec'd

Period covered by this report: From August 17 to August 21 1964

Person reporting Mr. Herbert Torrence, Chairman -- Mrs. Mable Steward - Co Chair.

411½ Broad Street (Street Address) Jacksonville (City) Duval (County) Florida (State)

Date submitted: August 21, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Ward, Beat, Etc. Duval County Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 100

Number instructed at home 20

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 11

Number successfully registered by this project this week 11

Number denied registration in this project this week None

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means Unk.

a. Specify means Churches; Telephone calls and letters;

Number refusing to participate None

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 36

Number of workers in this campaign 11

Remarks

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Period covered by this report: From August 17 to August 21 19 64

Person reporting Mr. William E. Tunstall

2921 N. 22nd St. | Tampa | Hillsborough | Florida

Street Address | City | County | State

Date submitted: August 22, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Hillsborough County

Ward, Beat, Etc. | Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 574

Number instructed at home 300

Number instructed at clinics 75

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 191

Number successfully registered by this project this week 191

Number denied registration in this project this week None

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means Thousands

a. Specify means Mass Meeting; Speakers sent to Churches; Television; Radio Newspaper coverage;

Number refusing to participate 2

a. Reason for refusing to participate "No time off from work";

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 964

Number of workers in this campaign 94

Remarks

Reports must be sent weekly. Note: Attach narrative report to this.

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

8/31/64 Rec'd

Period covered by this report: From August 17 to August 21 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. Alice Kendrick

300 Brainerd Street — Street Address
Pensacola — City
Escambia — County
Florida — State

Date submitted: August 17, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Escambia County

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 474

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 358

Number successfully registered by this project this week 358

Number denied registration in this project this week None

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means Unk.

a. Specify means Telephone calls; letters; handbills;

Number refusing to participate None

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 1091

Number of workers in this campaign 150

Remarks

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Period covered by this report: From August 17 to August 21 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. Althea Mills

843 Avenue R N.E. Winter Haven Polk Florida

Street Address City County State

Date submitted: August 21, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Polk County

Ward, Beat, Etc. Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 262

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 67

Number successfully registered by this project this week 67

Number denied registration in this project this week

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means Unk.

a. Specify means Telephone calls; letters; handbills; personal contact;

Number refusing to participate None

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start

Number of workers in this campaign

Remarks

Reports must be sent weekly. Note: Attach narrative report to this.

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

8/31/64 Field

Period covered by this report: From August 17 to August 21 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. Verdell G. Floyd

1002 North 25th Street — Street Address
Fort Pierce — City
St. Lucie — County
Florida — State

Date submitted: August 24, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

St. Lucie County

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass In organizational stage;

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week In organizational stage;

Number successfully registered by this project this week

Number denied registration in this project this week

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means In organizational stage;

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate In organizational stage;

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start

Number of workers in this campaign

Remarks

Reports must be sent weekly.

Note: Attach narrative report to this.

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

8/31/64 Rec'd

Period covered by this report: From August 17 to August 21 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. Mabel Richardson

643 Carter Street — Street Address
Orlando — City
Orange — County
Florida — State

Date submitted: August 24, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Orange County

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass: Unk

Number instructed at home:

Number instructed at clinics: 256

Number instructed other places: a. Specify places:

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week: 75

Number successfully registered by this project this week: 75

Number denied registration in this project this week: None

a. Reason for denial:

Number contacted by other means: Unk.

a. Specify means: Radio and T.V. Spot announcements; telephone calls; personal contact;

Number refusing to participate: None

a. Reason for refusing to participate:

Number of persons successfully registered since the start: 75

Number of workers in this campaign: 159

Remarks:

Reports must be sent weekly. Note: Attach narrative report to this.

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

8/31/64 Reid

Period covered by this report: From August 17 to August 22 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. M. L. Jones

849 George Street — Street Address; Riviera Beach — City; Palm Beach — County; Florida — State

Date submitted: August 24, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Palm Beach County — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 800

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics 216

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 745

Number successfully registered by this project this week 702

Number denied registration in this project this week 43

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means unk.

a. Specify means Radio; Television; telephone solicitors; handbills; signs;

Number refusing to participate 3

a. Reason for refusing to participate Against religious beliefs;

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 1731

Number of workers in this campaign 147

Remarks

Reports must be sent weekly. Note: Attach narrative report to this.

Corrected Report

NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Period covered by this report: From August 17 to 23 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. Mabel Richardson

643 Carter Street — Street Address
Orlando — City
Orange — County
Florida — State

Date submitted: August 24, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Orange County

Precincts and Districts
Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass Haven't started as of yet

Number instructed at home unknown

Number instructed at clinics 256 - Apopka, Winter Garden, Forest City, Precinct 14 and 5 had meeting. The telephone committee is continuing to call.

Number instructed other places a. Specify places The Speaker Bureau will be speakin Sunday, August 30 in all the churches in Orange County.

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 75

Number successfully registered by this project this week 75

Number denied registration in this project this week

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means Radio and T. V. Spot Announcemants are still being carried out.

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 75

Number of workers in this campaign 159

Remarks We had planned the Kick-Off Drive for last Sunday but we were unable to find a place for the meeting to be held, so it will be this Sunday, August 30, 1964

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Period covered by this report: From August 24, to August 28, 19 64

Person reporting Althea Mills

843 Avenue "R", NE — Winter Haven — Polk — Florida

Street Address — City — County — State

Date submitted: 8/28/64

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Polk County

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 112

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 56

Number successfully registered by this project this week 56

Number denied registration in this project this week 0

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 123

Number of workers in this campaign

Remarks

Reports must be sent weekly. Note: Attach narrative report to this.

NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Period covered by this report: From August 24 to August 28, 19 64

Person reporting William E. Tunstall

2921 N. 22nd St. (Street Address) Tampa (City) Hillsborough (County) Florida (State)

Date submitted: August 30, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Hillsborough County, including Plant City area

Ward, Beat, Etc. Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 447

Number instructed at home 647

Number instructed at clinics 321

Number instructed other places 427 a. Specify places NAACP board meeting, membership meeting, courthouse

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 224

Number successfully registered by this project this week 224

Number denied registration in this project this week 0

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means 2000 plus

a. Specify means Press, radio, group meetings, sidewalk parade

Number refusing to participate 1

a. Reason for refusing to participate Couldn't believe it was free

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 1188

Number of workers in this campaign 76

Remarks Saturday begins our mammoth Saturation Campaign. Members of the Human Relations Council, League of Women Voters, Young Adults, and NAACP YOUTHS, will cover Precinct 21 and 56, the latter if books are open as scheduled (Sept. 9).

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Period covered by this report: From August 24 to August 28 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. Alice Kendrick

300 E. Brainers St. Pensacola, Escambia Florida

Street Address City County State

Date submitted: August 28, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Ward, Beat, Etc. Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass

Number instructed at home 60

Number instructed at clinics None

Number instructed other places None a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 361

Number successfully registered by this project this week 360

Number denied registration in this project this week 1

a. Reason for denial Did not have time

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate None

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 1451

Number of workers in this campaign 170

Remarks Our campaign is still showing progress. Every week we have more to register. It seems that the people have really begun to get interested in voter registration. We had 20 added to our working staff.

Reports must be sent weekly. Note: Attach narrative report to this.

NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Period covered by this report: From August 24 to August 28, 19 64

Person reporting Herbert Torrence, Chairmen, Mable Stewart, Co-Chairmen

411½ Broad Street — Jacksonville — Duval — Florida

Street Address — City — County — State

Date submitted: August 28, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Duval

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 120

Number instructed at home 40

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places 200 a. Specify places St. Stephen A.M.E. Church

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 100

Number successfully registered by this project this week 100

Number denied registration in this project this week 0

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means 200

a. Specify means Telephones and letters

Number refusing to participate none

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 136

Number of workers in this campaign 9

Remarks We had a good week to work. The weather is very good now, and we are working hard to reach our goal.

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Period covered by this report: From August 24 to August 29, 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. Verdell G. Floyd

1002 N. 25th St. — Street Address
Ft. Pierce — City
St. Lucie — County
Florida — State

Date submitted: Sept. 1, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: 11th

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Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 223

Number successfully registered by this project this week 221

Number denied registration in this project this week 2

a. Reason for denial Rusing to take oath based on religious belief

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means Thousands were notified by means of radio, newspaper and sound truck

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start

Number of workers in this campaign

Remarks We have not been able to get a sufficient number of volunteers to work with this program. The clergy is expected to help but so far they have not.

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Period covered by this report: From August 24 to August 29, 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. M. L. Jones

849 George St. — Street Address
Riviera Beach — City
Palm Beach — County
Florida — State

Date submitted: August 31, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 300

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 516

Number successfully registered by this project this week 500

Number denied registration in this project this week 16

a. Reason for denial Underage, legal residence not established

Number contacted by other means Radio, television, newspaper

a. Specify means Announcements concerning project mailed to all news media.

Number refusing to participate 6

a. Reason for refusing to participate 3 refused to swear an oath, 3 disinterested

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 2231

Number of workers in this campaign 152

Remarks We have evaluated this campaign as the most successful conducted in the county. Registration office was amazed to find so many persons who were never registered. Negroes or predominately Negro precinct accounted for ten percent of the registered voters before the campaign began. We will send figures after books close October 3 to show total increase.

Reports must be sent weekly. Note: Attach narrative report to this.

NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Period covered by this report: From August 24 to August 29, 19 64

Person reporting Ernestine Collins

Rt. 3, Box 170 — Street Address
Marianna — City
Jackson — County
Florida — State

Date submitted: August 29, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: 31 and 18

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass: 100

Number instructed at home: 100

Number instructed at clinics: 25

Number instructed other places several thousand a. Specify places Churches, Lodges Clubs

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week: 20

Number successfully registered by this project this week: 20

Number denied registration in this project this week: 0

a. Reason for denial:

Number contacted by other means: several thousand

a. Specify means: Radio

Number refusing to participate:

a. Reason for refusing to participate:

Number of persons successfully registered since the start: 76

Number of workers in this campaign:

Remarks: The registration office at the courthouse was open only half a day Monday. The supervisor of registration is out of town and is suppose to return next week, we were told by the Judge. She is supposed to be taking a vacation.

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Period covered by this report: From Aug. 22 to Aug. 29, 1964

Person reporting James F. Williamson

Organization

628 W. Griffith Ave. Crestview Okaloosa Florida
Street Address City County State

Date submitted: August 29, 1964

Election District to which this report applies:
Ward, Beat, Etc. 1, 5, 12, 23, 24, 19 Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass ---------- 100

Number instructed at home ---------- 10

Number instructed at clinics ----------

Number instructed other places ----------

a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program ~~week~~ ---------- 30

Number successfully registered by this project ---------- 30

Number denied registration in this project ---------- 0

a. Reasons for denial

Number contacted by other means ----------

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate ---------- 10

a. Reasons for refusing to participate

Religious reasons

Remarks:

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Period covered by this report: From August 24 to 30 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. Mabel Richardson

643 Carter Street — Orlando — Orange — Florida

Street Address — City — County — State

Date submitted: August 31, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Orange County

Precincts and Districts

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 541

Number instructed at home 450

Number instructed at clinics Distributed 2,000 handbills, Radio and T.V. Spot Announcements still going

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 559

Number successfully registered by this project this week 539

Number denied registration in this project this week 0

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means Radio and T.V. Spot Announcements

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 735

Number of workers in this campaign 172

Remarks Our County meeting was called off due to the hurricane. Reports are incomplete as for all of the work from the various committees for the week of the 24th. P.S. Please find in Corrected report that was not available figures and number of registered to date. These are figures that were not available to us at the time we sent in our report for August 24-30. Sorry to have inconvenienced you. Please except my errors hoping that corrected reports will be satisfactory.

Reports must be sent weekly. Note: Attach narrative report to this.

NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Period covered by this report: From August 24 to August 31 19 64

Person reporting Milton Hardrick

645 N. W. 32nd Street — Miami — Dade — Florida

Street Address — City — County — State

Date submitted: Sept. 6, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Dade

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 1191

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week

Number successfully registered by this project this week

Number denied registration in this project this week

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means approx. 3500

a. Specify means Telephone campaign conducted from Roosevelt Savings and Loan Association

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start Figure unavailable as news item indicates

Number of workers in this campaign approx. 25

Remarks The number of persons in the campaign varies from day to day as some are on a parttime basia. Also some donate time free.

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Period covered by this report: From Aug. 31 to Sept. 4, 19 64

Person reporting William E. Tunstall

2921 N. 22nd Ave. Tampa Hillsborough Florida

Street Address City County State

Date submitted: Sept. 4, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Hillsborough County (Tampa and Plant City)

Ward, Beat, Etc. Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass an entire project and precinct 21 2000

Number instructed at home 464

Number instructed at clinics 193

Number instructed other places 2000 a. Specify places meeting sponsored by League of Women Voters, College Hill PTA, 3 churches

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 375

Number successfully registered by this project this week 374

Number denied registration in this project this week 1

a. Reason for denial could not remember age

Number contacted by other means indefinite number

a. Specify means TV, radio, news releases, announcements to churches

Number refusing to participate 1

a. Reason for refusing to participate Just that she hadn't made up her mind. Worker returning to talk with prospect and sending literature.

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 1562

Number of workers in this campaign 77

Remarks Once a week we are using public address system, band and workers from League of Women Voters, Human Relations Council and Young Adults to work in same precinct. Public relations up since using this technique. Cooperation from all sources is increasing. Over half of our field workers are Caucasian. We could respond more favora ly if your office would remit money owed to our gas station. ?

Reports must be sent weekly. Note: Attach narrative report to this.

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Period covered by this report: From August 31 to Sept 4, 19 64

Person reporting Althea Mills

843 Avenue "R", N.E. Winter Haven Polk Florida
Street Address City County State

Date submitted: Sept. 4, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Polk County

Ward, Beat, Etc. Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 35

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 78

Number successfully registered by this project this week 78

Number denied registration in this project this week

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 240

Number of workers in this campaign 85

Remarks

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Period covered by this report: From August 31 to Sept. 4, 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. Alice Kendrick

300 E. Brainerd St. Pensacola Escambia Florida

Street Address City County State

Date submitted: Sept. 4, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Pensacola

Ward, Beat, Etc. Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places 35 a. Specify places Pearl Valley Bpt. Church

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 362

Number successfully registered by this project this week 361

Number denied registration in this project this week 1

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 1812

Number of workers in this campaign 175

Remarks Our campaign is still showing progress. We hope that we can continue the pace we now have. We also hope that by Oct. 3, when the books close, we will have 2000 or more.

Reports must be sent weekly. Note: Attach narrative report to this.

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Period covered by this report: From August 31 to Sept 4, 19 64

Person reporting Herbert Torrence, Chairman

411½ Broad St. | Jacksonville | Duval | Florida
Street Address | City | County | State

Date submitted: September 4, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Duval

Ward, Beat, Etc. | Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 160

Number instructed at home 60

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places 200 a. Specify places St. Stephen A.M.E. Church

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 100

Number successfully registered by this project this week 100

Number denied registration in this project this week 0

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means 300

a. Specify means Telephones and Letters

Number refusing to participate none

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 263

Number of workers in this campaign 9

Remarks We are working hard to reach our goal.

Reports must be sent weekly. Note: Attach narrative report to this.

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Period covered by this report: From Aug. 31 to Sept. 5 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. M. L. Jones

849 George St. Riviera Beach Palm Beach Florida
Street Address City County State

Date submitted: Sept. 7, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Palm Beach County
Ward, Beat, Etc. Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 140

Number successfully registered by this project this week 127

Number denied registration in this project this week 13

a. Reason for denial 9 did not have naturalization papers, 4 underage

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate 2

a. Reason for refusing to participate did not want to vote

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 2358

Number of workers in this campaign 152

Remarks The project slowly progressed this week as we were aware of the extension date. Deputy Registrars have been notified of this and have promised to work until the books close. We will attend all P.T.A. meetings and register parents and teachers who have not been reached.

Reports must be sent weekly. Note: Attach narrative report to this.

NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Period covered by this report: From August 31 to Sept. 5, 19 64

Person reporting Verdell G. Floyd

1002 N. 25th St. — Street Address
Ft. Pierce — City
Saint Lucie — County
Florida — State

Date submitted: Sept. 5, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: 11th

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Number contacted by door-to door canvass 359

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 194

Number successfully registered by this project this week 194

Number denied registration in this project this week 0

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means many

a. Specify means Radio, newspaper/ sound car and letters

Number refusing to participate several

a. Reason for refusing to participate religious and lack of interest in themselves and others.

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 415

Number of workers in this campaign

Remarks

Reports must be sent weekly. Note: Attach narrative report to this.

NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Period covered by this report: From August 31 to Sept. 5 19 64

Person reporting Ernestine Collins

Rt. 3 Box 170 — Marianna — Jackson — Florida
Street Address — City — County — State

Date submitted: Sept. 5, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Ward, Beat, Etc. — 22, 31, 32 Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 500

Number instructed at home 150

Number instructed at clinics 75

Number instructed other places several thousand a. Specify places churches, lodges, clubs

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 71

Number successfully registered by this project this week 71

Number denied registration in this project this week 0

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means thousands

a. Specify means Radio

Number refusing to participate none

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 147

Number of workers in this campaign

Remarks We are still hoping to do better in our next week program.

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Period covered by this report: From Aug. 29 to Sept. 5, 1964

Person reporting James F. Williamson

Organization

628 W. Griffith Ave. | Crestview | Okaloosa | Florida
Street Address | City | County | State

Date submitted: Sept. 5, 1964

Election District to which this report applies:

Ward, Beat, Etc. | 1, 5, 12, 23, 24, 19 Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass ---------- 350

Number instructed at home ----------

Number instructed at clinics ----------

Number instructed other places ---------- unk.

a. Specify places Fort Walton Beach Community Center

Number applying for registration as a result of this program ~~week~~ ---- 29

Number successfully registered by this project ---------- 25

Number denied registration in this project ---------- 4

a. Reasons for denial

Number contacted by other means ----------

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate ----------

a. Reasons for refusing to participate

Remarks:

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Period covered by this report: From August 31 to Sept. 7, 1964

Person reporting Annie Bell Preston, Sec.

1743 N.W. 3rd St. Ocala Marion Florida

Street Address City County State

Date submitted: Sept. 7, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Ward, Beat, Etc. Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 125

Number instructed at home 110

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places 20 a. Specify places Voter Registration meeting

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 40

Number successfully registered by this project this week 40

Number denied registration in this project this week 0

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means undetermined

a. Specify means churches, publications

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start

Number of workers in this campaign

Remarks We can expect a better report from us the next time. It took us a little time to get our people to working. As yet, we have very little cooperation.

Reports must be sent weekly. Note: Attach narrative report to this.

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Period covered by this report: From Aug. 31 to Sept. 7, 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. Mabel Richardson

643 Carter St. | Orlando | Orange | Florida
Street Address | City | County | State

Date submitted: Sept. 12, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Orange County

Ward, Beat, Etc. | Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 236

Number instructed at home 236

Number instructed at clinics 700

Number instructed other places a. Specify places Mt. Zion Baptist Ch. of Tildenville, Church of God In Christ, Tildenville, St. Mark Baptist Ch. in Orlando, clinics held in precincts 14 and 5

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 300

Number successfully registered by this project this week 300

Number denied registration in this project this week 0

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means Radio and T.V. Spot announcements still going on.

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 935

Number of workers in this campaign 159

Remarks On Sept. 2, Mr. Love from your office at Voters Registration was in our city along with Mr. John Dew of Atlanta, who is working in Voter Registration. It was nice to have them here. Your office should have received a report on their findings by now.

Reports must be sent weekly. Note: Attach narrative report to this.

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Period covered by this report: From Aug. 24 to Sept. 9, 19 64

Person reporting Miltom Hardrick

6015 N.W. 7th Ave. Miami Dade Florida

Street Address City County State

Date submitted: Sept. 23, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Dade County

Ward, Beat, Etc. Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 18,000

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 6392

Number successfully registered by this project this week 6392

Number denied registration in this project this week 0

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means 40,000

a. Specify means churches, clubs, radio, TV, newspaper

Number refusing to participate ?

a. Reason for refusing to participate too busy, otherwise engaged, lack of interest

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 6392

Number of workers in this campaign

Remarks The Hurricane had demaging effects on the campaign, but we consider thatour major success came as a result of 15 stations for supplemental registration, all manned by Negroes. As of now, the Negro registration stands at approx. 46,000.

Reports must be sent weekly. Note: Attach narrative report to this.

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Period covered by this report: From Sept. 7 to Sept. 10, 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. Alice Kendrick

3006 Brainerd St. Pensacola Escambia Florida

Street Address City County State

Date submitted: Sept. 11, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Ward, Beat, Etc. Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 22

Number instructed at home 22

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 207

Number successfully registered by this project this week 206

Number denied registration in this project this week 1

a. Reason for denial took sick

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate none

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 2018

Number of workers in this campaign 200

Remarks Our campaign is still growing. I am very much inspired by these young people coming in to see what they can do to help. Now that we are in the 2000 mark, I am hoping that by Oct. 3 when the books close we will have a number registered that you can appreciate.

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Period covered by this report: From Sept. 7 to 11, 19 64

Person reporting William E. Tunstall

2921 N. 22nd St. | Tampa | Hillsborough | Florida

Street Address | City | County | State

Date submitted: Sept. 12, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Hillsborough (Tampa and Plant City)

Ward, Beat, Etc. | Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 4000

Number instructed at home 569

Number instructed at clinics 521

Number instructed other places 967 a. Specify places Middleton High P.T.A., 3 churches, meeting sponsored by Non-Partisan Voters League

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 484

Number successfully registered by this project this week 484

Number denied registration in this project this week none

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means 10,000 plus

a. Specify means Newspaper, leaflets, brochures and radio

Number refusing to participate 2

a. Reason for refusing to participate refused to wait in line, didn't have time

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 2046

Number of workers in this campaign 156

Remarks

Reports must be sent weekly. Note: Attach narrative report to this.

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PROGRESS REPORT

September 7 - 11, 1964

TAMPA

From all areas of Tampa we are receiving aid in our drive to register the people in this county. We served forty-five youths and seventeen adult workers on Saturday. Mrs. Curtis and her committee were able to get fried chicken dinners donated, making it necessary for us to spend very little. This week we expect to have a larger number present. The workers are on duty from ten in the morning until five in the evening. The workers have groups to transport in the evening and cars throughout the town with huge signs on top. We are going into Wisumema next week on Saturday with part of the workers.

It was our intention to take workers from Tampa to Plant City, but Mr. Sam Horton, Branch President, has a well organized town. Mrs. Geraldine Berry is Chairman for our committee in Plant City. We were able to get the gas donated for the Plant City group and this leaves us free to go into Sun City and the other places not to near town. We fought hard to get the books available each Saturday and with the help of some influencial friends this is now realized.

The Executive Board voted to sponsor the books and also be responsible for the payment of same. We feel that this is the easier method. We shall make some arrangement to send you a check as soon as the committee makes its final report.

We are grateful for the material and have pushed the distribution.

William Tunstall

NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Period covered by this report: From Sept. 8 to Sept. 12, 19 64

Person reporting Herbert Torrence, Chairman

411½ Broad St. Jacksonville Duval Florida

Street Address City County State

Date submitted: Sept. 14, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Duval

Ward, Beat, Etc. Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 0

Number instructed at home 0

Number instructed at clinics 0

Number instructed other places 150 a. Specify places First New Zion Baptist Church

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week

Number successfully registered by this project this week

Number denied registration in this project this week

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 263

Number of workers in this campaign 20

Remarks The NAACP Jacksonville Branch is making an all out effort to help us with out last three weeks of registration. We were not able to do any work because of the Hurricane.

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Period covered by this report: From Sept. 8 to Sept. 12 19 64

Person reporting Ernestine Collins

Rt. 3, Box 170 — Marianna — Jackson — Florida

Street Address — City — County — State

Date submitted: Sept. 12, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

13, 31, 18, 30

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 300

Number instructed at home 175

Number instructed at clinics 475

Number instructed other places Thousands a. Specify places Churches, Lodges, Clubs

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 63

Number successfully registered by this project this week 63

Number denied registration in this project this week 0

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means several thousands

a. Specify means radio

Number refusing to participate none

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 210

Number of workers in this campaign 25

Remarks We are still doing our best. We have been held up some this week from the hurricane Dora. We are still having plenty of bad weather since Thursday up until now, Saturday afternoon.

Reports must be sent weekly. Note: Attach narrative report to this.

NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Period covered by this report: From Sept. 8 to Sept. 12, 19 64

Person reporting Vervell G. Floyd, Director

1002 N. 25th St. — Street Address; Ft. Pierce — City; St. Lucie — County; Florida — State

Date submitted: Sept. 12, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: 11th

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.: 2; 3; 4A; 1; 14; 6

Number contacted by door-to door canvass: 418

Number instructed at home:

Number instructed at clinics:

Number instructed other places: a. Specify places: Voter registration headquarters

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week: 237

Number successfully registered by this project this week: 237

Number denied registration in this project this week: 0

a. Reason for denial:

Number contacted by other means: many

a. Specify means: radio and newspaper

Number refusing to participate:

a. Reason for refusing to participate:

Number of persons successfully registered since the start: 652

Number of workers in this campaign: Approximately 35 regular workers and a host of volunteers.

Remarks: The campaign has been progressing very well except for the constant threat of hurricanes. Most of them are followed by heavy rains which have kept the people from turning out as they probably would.

Reports must be sent weekly.

Note: Attach narrative report to this.

NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Period covered by this report: From Sept. 7 to Sept. 12, 19 64

Person reporting Carolyn Aaron

1068 Jefferson St. | Lake City | Columbia | Florida
Street Address | City | County | State

Date submitted: Sept. 12, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Columbia County Inc.

Ward, Beat, Etc. | Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 271

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 31

Number successfully registered by this project this week 31

Number denied registration in this project this week

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate 1

a. Reason for refusing to participate He was prejudiced against the city, county and government.

Number of persons successfully registered since the start

Number of workers in this campaign

Remarks The majority of the people in the areas we're working in now are already registered.

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Period covered by this report: From Sept. 7 to Sept. 12, 1964

Person reporting Mrs. Margaret L. Jones

849 George St. | Riviera Beach | Palm Beach | Florida
Street Address | City | County | State

Date submitted: September 14, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Palm Beach County

Ward, Beat, Etc. | Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 206

Number successfully registered by this project this week 201

Number denied registration in this project this week 5

a. Reason for denial 3 underage - 2 did not have naturalization papers.

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 2559

Number of workers in this campaign 152

Remarks Tuesday night Mrs. V. Reynolds and Mrs. L. Buie attended Washington Elem. School P.T.A. and registered 6 persons. Mrs. M. Jones attended Lincoln Elem. P.T.A. and registered 18. Both schools allowed the workers to give short talks about citizenship during the meeting. A crusade was held Sunday in Pahokee at Everglades Camp. A total of 117 persons were registered. 60 persons were registered locally by deputies in the county office.

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Period covered by this report: From Sept. 5 to Sept. 12, 1964

Person reporting James F. Williamson

Organization

628 W. Griffith Ave. Crestview Okaloosa Florida
Street Address City County State

Date submitted: Sept. 12, 1964

Election District to which this report applies:
Ward, Beat, Etc. 1, 5, 12, 23, 24, 19 Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass ---------- 228

Number instructed at home ----------

Number instructed at clinics ----------

Number instructed other places ----------

a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program ~~week~~ ---- 60

Number successfully registered by this project ---------- 45

Number denied registration in this project ---------- 15

a. Reasons for denial

Number contacted by other means ----------

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate ----------

a. Reasons for refusing to participate

Remarks:

NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Period covered by this report: From Sept. 7 to Sept. 14, 19 64

Person reporting Althea Mills

843 Avenue "R" N.E. Winter Haven Polk Florida

Street Address City County State

Date submitted: Sept. 11, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Polk County

Ward, Beat, Etc. Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 72

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 62

Number successfully registered by this project this week 62

Number denied registration in this project this week

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 302

Number of workers in this campaign 85

Remarks

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Follow up for

Period covered by this report: From Sept. 12 to 18 19 64

Person reporting Mabel Richardson

643 Carter St. Orlando Orange Florida

Street Address City County State

Date submitted: Sept. 28, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Orange County

Ward, Beat, Etc. Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 931

Number instructed at home 0

Number instructed at clinics 0

Number instructed other places 0 a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 931

Number successfully registered by this project this week 931

Number denied registration in this project this week

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means 0

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate 0

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 2,120

Number of workers in this campaign 159

Remarks This completes our follow-up which covers our entire six weeks. In the first weeks of our campaign, the bad weather in our area was in command. We finally got a break and to date this is the results. However, at the closing of our registration books, I will send you a full count.

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Period covered by this report: From Sept. 14 to 18 19 64

Person reporting Althea Mills

843 Avenue "R", NE — Winter Haven — Polk — Florida

Street Address — City — County — State

Date submitted: Sept. 18, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Polk County

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places — a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 136

Number successfully registered by this project this week 136

Number denied registration in this project this week 0

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 442

Number of workers in this campaign 105

Remarks

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Period covered by this report: From Sept. 14 to 18, 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. Alice Kendrick

300 E. Brainerd St. | Pensacola | Escambia | Florida

Street Address | City | County | State

Date submitted: Sept. 19, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Pensacola, Escambia County, Florida

Ward, Beat, Etc. | Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 272

Number successfully registered by this project this week 202

Number denied registration in this project this week 0

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 2291

Number of workers in this campaign 206

Remarks Our campaign is still growing. We are hoping to contact and get more people registered before the books close Oct. 3.

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Period covered by this report: From September 11, to Sept. 18, 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. M. M. Pope, Director

668 W. Carolina St. Tallahassee Leon Florida

Street Address City County State

Date submitted: September 22, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Leon County, Florida

All precincts

Ward, Beat, Etc. Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 300

Number instructed at home none

Number instructed at clinics none

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 105

Number successfully registered by this project this week 105

Number denied registration in this project this week 0

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means 1000

a. Specify means Letters, leaflet, telephone and high school students' march

Number refusing to participate none

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 132

Number of workers in this campaign 125

Remarks Employed a full time Director, started developing our card file to use in the campaign and the future. The beginning of school is still reflecting itself in our campaign.

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Period covered by this report: From Sept. 14, to Sept. 19, 19 64

Person reporting Ernestine Collins

Rte. 3, Box 170 — Street Address
Marianna — City
Jackson — County
Florida — State

Date submitted: Sept. 12, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

30, 18, 9, 7, 14
Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 250

Number instructed at home 100

Number instructed at clinics 300

Number instructed other places Thousands a. Specify places Sunday School Convention, churches, lodges, and clubs.

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 87

Number successfully registered by this project this week 87

Number denied registration in this project this week 0

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means thousands

a. Specify means radio

Number refusing to participate none

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 297

Number of workers in this campaign 25

Remarks We are still doing our best and we do hope you are pleased with our effort.

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Note: Attach narrative report to this.

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Period covered by this report: From Sept. 14 to 19, 19 64

Person reporting Verdell G. Floyd

1802 N. 25th St. Ft. Pierce St. Lucie Florida

Street Address City County State

Date submitted: Sept. 20, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: 11th

2; 3; 4A; 1; 14; 6; 8

Ward, Beat, Etc. ~~Precinct,~~ Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places 150 a. Specify places Voter Registration Headquarters, 1530 Avenue "D"

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 150

Number successfully registered by this project this week 150

Number denied registration in this project this week 0

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means many

a. Specify means radio, handbills, letters, telephone

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 802

Number of workers in this campaign approx. 35

Remarks The number of people registering this week is slightly less than in previous weeks. However we do have enough people coming to merit our office being open.

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Period covered by this report: From Sept. 14 to 19, 19 64

Person reporting Margaret L. Jones

849 George St. | Riviera Beach | Palm Beach | Florida

Street Address | City | County | State

Date submitted: Sept. 23, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Ward, Beat, Etc. | Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 430

Number successfully registered by this project this week 430

Number denied registration in this project this week 0

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 2989

Number of workers in this campaign

Remarks

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Period covered by this report: From Sept. 15 to 19 19 64

Person reporting Carolyn Aaron

1068 Jefferson St. Lake City Columbia Florida

Street Address City County State

Date submitted: Sept. 20, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Columbia County Inc.

Ward, Beat, Etc. Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 52

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week

Number successfully registered by this project this week

Number denied registration in this project this week

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start

Number of workers in this campaign

Remarks As as after effect of Hurricane Dora, the few people that weren't registered couldn't go and register this week, because they had other problems to be faced.

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Period covered by this report: From Sept. 14 to 19 19 64

Person reporting Herbert Torrence

411½ Broad St. Jacksonville Duval Florida
Street Address City County State

Date submitted: Sept. 19, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Duval

Ward, Beat, Etc. Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 1500

Number instructed at home 750

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places 200 a. Specify places St. Stephens A.M.E. Church

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 210

Number successfully registered by this project this week 210

Number denied registration in this project this week 0

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate 20

a. Reason for refusing to participate Not interested

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 477

Number of workers in this campaign 40

Remarks

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Period covered by this report: From Sept. 14, to 19, 19 64

Person reporting William E. Tunstall

2921 N. 22nd St. Tampa Hillsborough Florida

Street Address City County State

Date submitted: Sept. 19, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Hillsborough County Tampa and Plant City

Ward, Beat, Etc. Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 2945

Number instructed at home 356

Number instructed at clinics 1026

Number instructed other places 461 a. Specify places Marshall High School PTA Meacham Elem. PTA, 2 churches

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 509

Number successfully registered by this project this week 501

Number denied registration in this project this week 8

a. Reason for denial felonies, discrepancy in age and date of birth

Number contacted by other means Thousands -- two public address systems, radio

a. Specify means the distribution of all material from Voter Ed. Office Material received from the National Office and 20,000 leaflets donated by Non-Partisan Voters League.

Number refusing to participate 6

a. Reason for refusing to participate Not ready, white people haven't done anything too wrong, Apostolic Church member.

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 2547

Number of workers in this campaign 169

Remarks We have a worker at the County Courthouse and beginning this Sept. 21, we are attempting to get three full time field workers, other than the volunteers. These workers will be paid and will enlarge our limited field forces during the week. We had forty persons in the field Saturday. We were able to furnish lunch for all workers. The starting time on Saturday is ten o'clock a.m. until the books close. We were fortunate that the books were open until nine o'clock Sat.

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Period covered by this report: From Sept. 12 to Sept. 19, 1964

Person reporting James F. Williamson

Organization

628 W. Griffith Ave.	Crestview	Okaloosa	Florida
Street Address	City	County	State

Date submitted: Sept. 19, 1964

Election District to which this report applies:

	1, 5, 12, 23, 24, 19
Ward, Beat, Etc.	Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass ---------- 175

Number instructed at home ---------- ____

Number instructed at clinics ---------- ____

Number instructed other places ---------- ____

a. Specify places ____

Number applying for registration as a result of this program ~~-~~ WORK ---- 38

Number successfully registered by this project ---------- 38

Number denied registration in this project ---------- 0

a. Reasons for denial ____

Number contacted by other means ---------- ____

a. Specify means ____

Number refusing to participate ---------- ____

a. Reasons for refusing to participate ____

Remarks: ____

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NARRATIVE REPORT

September 14 - 19, 1964

The tide of prospective voters has leveled off. We still have people coming in but not as many as before.

Nevertheless, we are using every means at our command to keep them coming in. This week we made mimeographed copies of a short statement urging all adults to come out and register. These will be given to school children to take home to their parents. I have asked one of our local minister's wife to head our telephone committee. This committee will contact citizens by telephone and ask them to get out and vote.

We received the printed material from your office and we have distributed most of it.

At this point, we feel that the message is getting through to the community. We have had a great deal of cooperation, but it could have been better if we had gotton more of the leading citizens to participate in this drive.

Respectfully,

Verdell G. Floyd

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Period covered by this report: From Sept. 12 to 21, 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. Mable Richardson

643 Carter St. — Street Address; Orlando — City; Orange — County; Florida — State

Date submitted: Sept. 21, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Orange County

Precincts and Districts — Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass: We do not have complete number

Number instructed at home: unknown

Number instructed at clinics: no clinics were held

Number instructed other places: a. Specify places: door-to-door canvassing, churches and clubs

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week: 225

Number successfully registered by this project this week: 224

Number denied registration in this project this week: 1

a. Reason for denial: Did not know age, birthplace and birthdate.

Number contacted by other means:

a. Specify means: Radio and television spot announcements are still going on.

Number refusing to participate: none

a. Reason for refusing to participate:

Number of persons successfully registered since the start: 1189

Number of workers in this campaign: 159

Remarks: We are canvassing everyday to make up for the delay which we had a few weeks ago. Our goal is 4,000 and we hope to get that high or as close as possible before Oct. 3. The prospects are very good.

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Period covered by this report: From Sept. 21 to 25 19 64

Person reporting Althea Mills

843 Avenue "R", NE — Winter Haven — Polk — Florida

Street Address — City — County — State

Date submitted: Sept. 25, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Polk County

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 300

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 265

Number successfully registered by this project this week 265

Number denied registration in this project this week

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 707

Number of workers in this campaign

Remarks

Reports must be sent weekly.

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Period covered by this report: From Sept. 21 to 25 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. Alice Kendrick

300 Brainerd St. Pensacola Escambia Florida
Street Address City County State

Date submitted: Sept. 26, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Pensacola Escambia Florida
Ward, Beat, Etc. Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 50

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 138

Number successfully registered by this project this week 138

Number denied registration in this project this week 0

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 2430

Number of workers in this campaign 212

Remarks There seems to be more interest among the people since voting time is nearing!

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Period covered by this report: From Sept. 21 to Sept. 25 19 64

Person reporting William E. Tunstall

2821 22nd Street (Street Address) Tampa (City) Hillsborough (County) Florida (State)

Date submitted: Sept. 26, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Hillsborough County (Ward, Beat, Etc.) Tampa and Plant City (Precinct, Election District, Etc.)

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 1842

Number instructed at home 106

Number instructed at clinics 567

Number instructed other places 1087 a. Specify places Courthouse Lobby, Roland Park Elem. School PTA, 2 churches, clinic sponsored by Heavy Club.

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 259

Number successfully registered by this project this week 259

Number denied registration in this project this week 0

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means Thousands--two public address systems, radio

a. Specify means one TV program sponsored by League of Women Voters, leaflets telling when courthouse will be open.

Number refusing to participate 9

a. Reason for refusing to participate no time, undecided, getting along alright

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 2806

Number of workers in this campaign 102

Remarks This week was partly spent in Seffner, Lincoln Gardens and Carver City. We naturally continue our Plant City workers. We do not feel that we have enough gas for this final weeks work, since we have gone so far from Tampa and the houses are so scattered. Thursday and Friday will be spent in Port Tampa, when we hope to work full strength until noon, then to finish Wimuma and Sun City. We have several full time workers during the week who will do a clean up job in the city. One of the TV stations showed our workers receiving final directions from Mrs. Curtis. There were twenty in the group.

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Period covered by this report: From Sept. 19 to 25, 19 64

Person reporting Herbert Torrence

411½ Broad St. | Jacksonville | Duval | Florida
Street Address | City | County | State

Date submitted: Sept. 25, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Duval

Ward, Beat, Etc. | Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 3000

Number instructed at home 1200

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places 500 a. Specify places St. Paul AME Church
St. Stephens AME Church

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 618

Number successfully registered by this project this week 618

Number denied registration in this project this week 0

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 1191

Number of workers in this campaign 100

Remarks The local branch NAACP is assisting us financially. With this financial help we are looking forward to a successful final week.

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Period covered by this report: From Sept. 21 to 26, 19 64

Person reporting Ernestine Collins

Rt. 3, Box 170 — Street Address
Marianna — City
Jackson — County
Florida — State

Date submitted: Sept. 26, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

15,32,18,30
Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 200

Number instructed at home 50

Number instructed at clinics 200 or more

Number instructed other places Thousands a. Specify places clubs, lodges, churches

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 95

Number successfully registered by this project this week 95

Number denied registration in this project this week 0

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means Thousands

a. Specify means Radio

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 392

Number of workers in this campaign 25

Remarks

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Period covered by this report: From September 19 to 26, 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. M. M. Pope, Director

668 West Carolina St. Tallahassee Leon Florida

Street Address City County State

Date submitted: October 20, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Leon County, Fla.

Ward, Beat, Etc. All Precincts Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 700

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

500

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 500

Number successfully registratered by this project this week 0

Number denied registration in this project this week

a. Reason for denial

1200

Number contacted by other means Telephone, High School Student March(Sandwich Man Advertisement),

a. Specify means Letters, Notices to Churches, Schools, Businesses

None

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

632

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 150

Number of workers in the campaign

Remarks

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Period covered by this report: From Sept. 20 to 26, 19 64

Person reporting Carolyn Aaron

1306 N. Davis St. | Lake City | Columbia | Florida
Street Address | City | County | State

Date submitted: Sept. 27, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Columbia County

Ward, Beat, Etc. | Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 111

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 22

Number successfully registered by this project this week 22

Number denied registration in this project this week 0

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 53

Number of workers in this campaign 7

Remarks The number of people who promise you they will go and register back out when you come to carry them down.

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Period covered by this report: From Sept. 1 to 26 1964

Person reporting Mrs. M. L. Jones

849 George St. (Street Address) Riviera Beach (City) Palm Beach (County) Florida (State)

Date submitted: Sept. 28, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Palm Beach County

Ward, Beat, Etc. Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 750

Number instructed at home Literature distributed county-wide

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 630

Number successfully registered by this project this week 616

Number denied registration in this project this week 14

a. Reason for denial 5-residence not established, 2-underaged 7-did not have naturalization papers.

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means Radio, television, telephone

Number refusing to participate 6

a. Reason for refusing to participate would not state reason 6

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 3605

Number of workers in this campaign 340

Remarks

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PALM BEACH COUNTY CRUSADE FOR VOTERS

The Crusade for Voters has a contest between civic students from Lincoln Jr. High School and Roosevelt High School. The sponsors of these classes, Mr. W. Ivey Lack and Mr. S. Bruce McDonald have interested the students to convass their neighborhood and bring in the names of persons not registered. 750 homes were canvassed and 126 names were reported last week. A class prize will be given at the recognition affair.

There are persons who have lived in this county for many years and have registered for the first time. The county supervisor of registration released the information today, that 67 per cent of all eligible persons in the county have registered.

On Sunday, Sept. 27, four Deputy Registrars, Mrs. M. L. Jones, Mrs. L. E. Buie, Mrs. V. Reynolds and Mrs. F. Brown, were given tables at the entrance of the John F. Kennedy High School Gymnatorium during the dedication ceremony. A large audience was present and an announcement was made concerning our program. 246 persons were registered at this meeting. The freeholder re-registration has stimulated a number of persons to register in order to participate in the Bond Issue.

Next week the books will close and I will be able to give the total figure for this county as soon as they are released. We will know the date of the Recognition Affair next week and will send it to your office.

Yours for a successful campaign,

Mrs. M. L. Jones

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Period covered by this report: From Sept. 21, to 26, 1964

Person reporting Verdell C. Floyd

1002 N. 25th St. Ft. Pierce St. Lucie Florida
Street Address City County State

Date submitted: Sept. 27, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: 11th

2;3;4A; 1; 13; 14; 6; 8
Ward, Beat, Etc. Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 80

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places 210 a. Specify places Voter registration headquarters, 1530 Avenue "D"

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 213

Number successfully registered by this project this week 210

Number denied registration in this project this week 3

a. Reason for denial None had lived in the county long enough

Number contacted by other means Many

a. Specify means Telephone, mimeographed notices, and radio

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 1012

Number of workers in this campaign approx. 35

Remarks Some twenty-four organizations joined the drive to help us comb the city so we can get every possible voter.

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NARRATIVE REPORT

Fort Pierce, St. Lucie/Florida

The voter registration drive was about the same this week as last week. There is still a steady flow of traffic into the registration office, but it could be better.

The notices we mimeographed for students was rejected by only one school principal. After the other principals heard about this they decided against the idea. Then we had to find other ways to get the notices to the parents.

We finally decided to pass them out to Sunday School groups and businessmen in the community for distribution.

This final week, we hope to do everything humanly possible to get the voters to the registration headquarters.

Period Covered - Sept. 21 - 25, 1964

Director, Mrs. Verdell G. Floyd

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Period covered by this report: From Sept. 19 to Sept. 26, 1964

Person reporting James F. Williamson

Organization

628 W. Griffith Ave.	Crestview	Okaloosa	Florida
Street Address	City	County	State

Date submitted: Sept. 26, 1964

Election District to which this report applies:

	1, 5, 12, 23, 24, 19
Ward, Beat, Etc.	Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass ---------- 150

Number instructed at home ----------

Number instructed at clinics ----------

Number instructed other places ----------

a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program ---------- 213

Number successfully registered by this project ---------- 213

Number denied registration in this project ---------- 0

Number successfully registered since the start

a. Reasons for denial

Number contacted by other means ----------

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate ----------

a. Reasons for refusing to participate

Remarks:

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Period covered by this report: From Sept. 21 to 28, 19 64

Person reporting Annie Bell Preston, Sec.

1743 N.W. 3rd St. | Ocala | Marion | Florida
Street Address | City | County | State

Date submitted: Sept. 28, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Ward, Beat, Etc. | Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to door canvass 200

Number instructed at home 150

Number instructed at clinics 0

Number instructed other places a. Specify places churches, publications

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 10

Number successfully registered by this project this week 10

Number denied registration in this project this week 0

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start

Number of workers in this campaign

Remarks We feel much better over the new directors have. We haven't been successful because the books are being probed and it has frightened the people. They want to wait and see what the outcome is going to be.

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Period covered by this report: From 9/28 to 10/2/64

Person reporting Herbert Torrence-Chairman

Organization

411½ Broad St. | Jacksonville | Duval | Florida
Street Address | City | County | State

Date submitted: Oct. 6, 1964

Election District to which this report applies: Duval

Ward, Beat, Etc. | Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass ---------- 3,152

Number instructed at home ---------- 1,200

Number instructed at clinics ----------

Number instructed other places ---------- 750

a. Specify places St. Paul AME, St. Stephens, Bethel Baptist Instutional Ch.

Number applying for registration as a result of this program ---------- 1,418

Number successfully registered by this project ---------- 1,418

Number denied registration in this project ---------- 0

a. Reasons for denial

Number contacted by other means ----------

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate ----------

a. Reasons for refusing to participate

Number of persons registered since the start 2,609

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Period covered by this report: From Sept. 28 to Oct. 3, 1964

Person reporting Mrs. Margaret L. Jones

Organization _____

849 George St.	Riviera Beach	Palm Beach	Florida
Street Address	City	County	State

Date submitted: Oct. 5, 1964

Election District to which this report applies: _____

Palm Beach County _____

Ward, Beat, Etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass ---------- _____

Number instructed at home ---------- _____

Number instructed at clinics ---------- _____

Number instructed other places ---------- _____

a. Specify places _____

Number applying for registration as a result of this program ---------- 716

Number successfully registered by this project ---------- 701

Number denied registration in this project ---------- 15

a. Reasons for denial already registered, confused by announcements of freeholder registration.

Number contacted by other means ---------- _____

a. Specify means radio, newspaper, announcements to churches, clubs fraternal orders

Number refusing to participate ---------- 2

a. Reasons for refusing to participate did not believe in voting

Number of persons registered since the start 4506

Remarks: Articles will be sent to your office concerning total Negro vote in county as soon as they are released.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY CRUSADE FOR VOTERS

1. This last week of registration was hectic. It is incredible to believe that so great a number of persons would wait until the deadline to register. During our six week campaign and after we were out from door to door and everyone was aware of the campaign due to the publicity released, yet as late as Saturday five p.m., the deadline, we were getting calls for registrars to come to certain areas.
2. On Thursday afternoon, we went to Delray Beach and registered 65 persons. The Deputy Registrars in that area were not working until the announcements were made last Sunday on the radio and in the churches about our schedule for Delray Beach. We did not get the total of their registrations, but will send this to you when the county releases the facts.
3. The county office was filled to capacity and the lines were formed before the 8:30 a.m. opening. I had persons to come to my home Friday night until 10 p.m. and Saturday morning beginning at 7 a.m. The other Deputy Registrars reported similar circumstances.

Mrs. M. L. Jones

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Period covered by this report: From Sept. 28 to Oct. 3, 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. Alice Kendrick

300 E. Brainerd St. (Street Address) Pensacola (City) Escambia (County) Florida (State)

Date submitted: Oct. 5, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Pensacola

Escambia, Florida (Ward, Beat, Etc.) Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places 75 a. Specify places church

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 684

Number successfully registered by this project this week 684

Number denied registration in this project this week 0

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means 50

a. Specify means telephone

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of person successfully registered since the start 3114

Number of workers in the campaign 218

Remarks There was a list minute rush during the last week of the campaign. We all worked very hard and we're hoping that our work will not be in vain. We plan now to give voting instructions to as many of our people as possible between now and Nov. 3.

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Period covered by this report: From Sept. 28 to Oct. 3, 19 64

Person reporting William E. Tunstall

2921 N. 22nd St. Tampa Hillsborough Florida

Street Address City County State

Date submitted: October 5, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

Hillsborough County (Tampa and Plant City)

Ward, Beat, Etc. Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 2096

Number instructed at home 215

Number instructed at clinics 764

Number instructed other places 2164 a. Specify places Wimuami PTA, Potter Elem. PTA, Clinic at Courthouse.

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week ~~36~~ 401

Number successfully registered by this project this week 381

Number denied registration in this project this week 21

a. Reason for denial Many were persons whom we transported from bars and during our concentrated street drive (felonies).

Number contacted by other means Thousands

a. Specify means sound trucks, TV, radio and press

Number refusing to participate 15

a. Reason for refusing to participate not aware of importance, afraid, needed more time for Voter Education

Number of person successfully registered since the start

Number of workers in the campaign 194

Remarks We have completed the most dramatic and best advertised campaign ever conducted in Tampa.

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Period covered by this report: From Sept. 11, to Sept. 26, 19 64

Person reporting Albert L. Daniels

630 N.W. 6th Ave. Gainesville Alachua Florida
Street Address City County State

Date submitted: Oct. 1, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Alachua County

Ward, Beat, Etc. Precinct, Election District, Etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 5000

Number instructed at home 2000

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places 500 a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 602

Number successfully registered by this project this week 600

Number denied registration in this project this week 2

a. Reason for denial Question of residence, conviction of felony

Number contacted by other means 400

a. Specify means Telephone, car caravans to outlying areas of county

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 1540

Number of workers in this campaign 225

Remarks Our last report will be submitted upon receipt of final count from the Supervisor of Registration Office here.

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Period covered by this report: From Sept. 28 to Oct. 3, 19 64

Person reporting Verdell G. Floyd

1002 N. 25th St. — Street Address
Ft. Pierce — City
St. Lucie — County
Florida — State

Date submitted: October 4, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: 11th

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, Election District, Etc. 1; 2; 3; 4A; 6; 8; 13; 14

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 50

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places 421 a. Specify places Voter registration headquarters, 1530 Avenue "D"

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 427

Number successfully registered by this project this week 421

Number denied registration in this project this week 6

a. Reason for denial Five had not lived in the county long enough and the other was foreign born and not yet a citizen.

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 1433

Number of workers in this campaign approx. 35

Remarks Because this was the last week of registration, there was a sudden increase in registration.

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NARRATIVE REPORT

September 28 through October 3, 1964

The voter registration drive has come to a close as of 5 p.m. today, October 3, 1964. The total number of people registered to date is 1,433. We are proud of that figure. Before this drive started there were 2,300 registered Negro voters in St. Lucie County, Fort Pierce, Florida. Now we have close to 4,000. There were many Negroes who went to the downtown registration office because it was convenient for them to do so. We will not be able to give the exact number of people registered as a result of this drive until later because Mr. Glenn C. Huff, supervisor of voter registration in St. Lucie County said he has the white and Negro voters listed together. He promised, however, to give us the total number of Negroes listed as a result of this drive as soon as all applications are processed.

There were no major problems encountered during this voter registration drive, except the matter of personnel. It was hard for me to get reliable people to work. I had to change secretaries three times. Coming up to the last week, the secretary found herself another job paying more and she just put us down. Without any advance notice, she went to her other job. I got another girl for the last week. This made it (the work) a little difficult, but we managed.

At this point I recommend that you give Mr. Leroy Bennett, Jr. our chairman some type of financial bonus for his untiring service to this drive. I must admit that if it had not been for him this drive would have folded up long ago. I do feel that whatever you

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can spare will be greatly appreciated.

The churches and civic groups here did not respond financially as I thought they would. Therefore, I am asking that you take care of these few bills we have left over from the drive. The bills I wish to have paid will accompany this report.

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Period covered by this report: From Sept. 28 to Oct. 3, 1964

Person reporting Althea Mills

Organization

843 Avenue "R", NE — Street Address
Winter Haven — City
Polk — County
Florida — State

Date submitted: Oct. 10, 1964

Election District to which this report applies: Polk County

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass ----------

Number instructed at home ----------

Number instructed at clinics ----------

Number instructed other places ----------

a. Specify places P. A. System throughout Community

Number applying for registration as a result of this program ~~October campaign~~ ---------- 350

Number successfully registered by this project ---------- 350

Number denied registration in this project ---------- 0

a. Reasons for denial

Number contacted by other means ----------

a. Specify means

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 1057

Number refusing to participate ----------

a. Reasons for refusing to participate

Remarks:

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Period covered by this report: From Sept. 27 to Oct. 3, 1964

Person reporting Albert L. Daniels

Organization

630 NW 6th Ave. | Gainesville | Alachua | Florida
Street Address | City | County | State

Date submitted: Oct. 11, 1964

Election District to which this report applies:

Ward, Beat, Etc. | Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass ---------- 1000

Number instructed at home ---------- 200 - 400

Number instructed at clinics ---------- 300

Number instructed other places ---------- 1500

a. Specify places Rutledge, Liberty Hill, Copeland Settlement, Minny Hill Comm., Fairbanks, Hawthorne, Grove Park

Number applying for registration as a result of this program ---------- 300 - 400

Number successfully registered by this project ---------- 300 - 400

Number denied registration in this project ---------- None

a. Reasons for denial

Number contacted by other means ---------- unk.

a. Specify means telephone, door-todoor contacts, carevans, street corners

Number refusing to participate ---------- 0

a. Reasons for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start---------1250-1300

Remarks: Total registration figures not yet available due to backlog of work in the Supervisor of Registration's office. Report due out in one week. We are in the process of organizing a "GET OUT THE VOTE" campaign. Whatever assistance your office will provide will be helpful in this area.

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Period covered by this report: From Sept. 28 to Oct. 6, 1964

Person reporting Annie B. Preston, Sec.

Organization _____

1743 N.W. 3rd St. | Ocala | Marion | Florida
Street Address | City | County | State

Date submitted: Oct. 6, 1964

Election District to which this report applies: _____

Ward, Beat, Etc. | Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass ---------- 350

Number instructed at home ---------- 200

Number instructed at clinics ---------- _____

Number instructed other places ---------- 465

a. Specify places Voter Registration Drive

Number applying for registration as a result of this program ---------- 30

Number successfully registered by this project ---------- 30

Number denied registration in this project ---------- 0

a. Reasons for denial _____

Number contacted by other means ---------- undetermined ---------- _____

a. Specify means churches, publications

Number refusing to participate ---------- _____

a. Reasons for refusing to participate _____

Remarks: _____

October 21, 1964

Mrs. Elizabeth Ware
1023½ NW 6th Street
Ft. Lauderdale, Florida

RE: VEP 4-26

Dear Mrs. Ware:

Your report for September 27 - October 3 gives a total registration figure for the whole campaign as 5,007. Do you mean that there are now 5,007 Negro registered voters in Fort Lauderdale? It seems almost impossible that that many people could be registered from September 27 to October 3.

As we have only received two previous reports, both in August, we would like to have a detailed report of the whole campaign. A week by week analysis would be helpful. We would appreciate receiving this material as soon as possible.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Jane Bond Moore
Research Assistant

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Period covered by this report: From Sept. 27 to Oct. 3, 1964

Person reporting Mrs. Elizabeth Ware

Organization

1023½ NW 6th St.	Ft. Lauderdale	Broward	Florida
Street Address	City	County	State

Date submitted: Oct. 7, 1964

Election District to which this report applies: _____

Ward, Beat, Etc. _____ Precinct, election district, etc. _____

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass ---------- ~~All Negro Precincts in Greater Ft. Lauderdale area.~~

Number instructed at home ---------- 6000

Number instructed at clinics ---------- 4000

Number instructed other places ---------- 4000

a. Specify places Churches, civic groups, etc.

Number applying for registration as a result of this program ~~Total for campaign~~ 5007

Number successfully registered by this project ---------- 5007

Number denied registration in this project ---------- 0

a. Reasons for denial

Number contacted by other means ---------- ~~entire county~~ ----------

a. Specify means Radio Station WRBD, 8 spot tapes per day, newspaper, handbills, NAACP material

Number refusing to participate ---------- 0

a. Reasons for refusing to participate

Remarks:

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NARRATIVE REPORT

By: Mrs. Alice Kendrick
Directress
Pensacola, Florida
August 5, 1964

The Voter Registration Campaign was opened in Pensacola, Florida on Monday, July 27, 1964.

Our Mass Meetings have improved considerably. We are going to try to do our best to come up to the expectation of the NAACP. We have our chairman, co-chairman, secretary, treasurer, and other officers and we will send you the names and addresses of committee members in our report Friday, July 31, 1964.

Our voter registration announcements will go on the air this morning. We also plan Citizenship Sunday, August 9, 1964. We plan to have young people knock on doors and ring doorbells from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Our voter registration campaign has been a success for this first week of work. We have thirty-two (32) blockleaders so far and are well organized with a directress and other officers.

We are trying to register 20,000 people in this campaign. We find that more people are now interested in voter registration since it has been broadcasted over the local radio station, stating that the NAACP is behind the campaign.

We have set aside Sunday, August 9th as Citizenship Sunday and have sent sermons to all interested ministers. The youth will knock on doors and ring doorbells from 8 - 10:00 a.m. on that same Sunday.

They will also give the three-minute speeches at their respective churches.

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We are not sending all the names of the people who have been registered because all of the blockleaders have not reported as yet.

Total number registered to date - 284.

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MONTHLY REPORT

Helen Hayes August 24, 1964

In Miami, Florida, the Negro population is 14% of 335,000. The Negro population is estimated at 165,000 in 1965.

The major industry in Miami can not be limited to one particular industry. There are 39 in number. The top six are: The Airlines (Eastern, National, Delta, etc.), Southern Bell, Aerodex, First National Bank, Richards, and Burdines Department Stores.

The housing conditions in Miami are very bad. One out of ten Negro families live in substandard housing as compared to one out of one hundred whites. Eighteen per cent of the Negro population live in delapardated houses as compared to 8% of whites. There are 27% of the total population of Negroes that are home owners as compared to 64% of the total white population.

The employment conditions of the Negro in Miami are as follows: 1960--8% of Negro males are craftsmen and 21% of the whites are craftsmen, 31% Negro laborers as compared to 4% of white males, 64% of white female population are employed as clerks and sales girls as compared to 2% of the Negro population, 67% of Negro population are employed as domestics as compared to 15% of white female population.

The week preceeding August 24 was spent getting the voters registration drive started. We sent out letters to the ministers of Miami asking them to preach a sermon on the voter registration drive. A sample sermon was sent along as a suggestion. The ministers were asked to tell the people that the books would be open in their area from August 24 to Sept. 5th.

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The area chairmen and the announcers on the different radio stations were invited to a party so that they might get the necessary information to inform the public of the registration drive.

We had handbills distributed and workers were assigned to their different blocks. With the necessary information, the workers began their work in their given locations.

We had a press release put in the papers giving the necessary information concerning the registration drive to the general public.

As of now, we are in the midst of getting out estimated number of people registered.

We have almost all of the number of workers that we wanted to work with us.

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MONTHLY REPORT

Helen Hayes

RE: Political Action
Miami, Florida

August, 1964

After a week of hard planning, paid workers went on the streets to canvass. The workers took Miami (Dade) Florida in sections. In each section the books were out, deputy registrars were appointed. Negro deputies served in the Negro communities.

The paid workers were on the street for one day before a host of volunteers joined them. These volunteers were mostly white. They came from the Young Democrats, Human Relations Council, Youth Social Clubs, Civic Clubs, and just residents of Miami Beach, Coral Gabors and surrounding areas. The impact of this force was f lt by the city, then Hurricane Cleo interrupted. However she only slowed down progress for a day. The next day it was back to work again. Loads of people flowed the station from the results of our workers' efforts. Several nights members of the Crusade for Voters Committee had to assist the deputies in order for all of the persons present to be registered.

A motorcade was held on Saturday through Central Miami, this area being the most heavily populated Negro area with the lowest percentage in registration.

No exact number of persons registered has been released from the registrars office yet. The Urban League was attempting to get a Voter Registration campaign on foot. Their plan was to hire a director, field director and ten paid workers. Crusade for Voters, NAACP sponsored, showed the most sound organization.

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SPECIAL REPORT

Hugh T. Love

RE: Political Action August, 1964

Lake City, Columbia County, Florida, a northeast Florida town located about 60 miles southwest of Jacksonville. It has a population of about 13,600 people of which approximately 26 or 30% are Negroes. Unlike most cities and towns in the state of Florida, Lake City and Columbia County thrive on farming, and not tourist trade. Tobacco is the principle crop.

Employment for Negroes in this area is one of the greatest plights of the Negro. Skilled and unskilled labor is practically non-existent. Common labor includes pulp wooding, farming (in season) and domestic work. Governmental employment represents the most achieved area of employment for the Negro. Aerospace, government supported, employs the lesser percentage of Negro labor, while the V.A. Hospital employs the greatest percentage of Negro labor in governmental employment.

Public employment opportunities for Negroes are few. Negroes are employed only in the Sanitation and Police Dept. No elective or appointive positions are held by Negroes.

The housing conditions for Negroes in Lake City and Columbia County can be rated as substandard. This is not in terms of Negro dwellings in other cities and towns, but rather in relation to what is generally accepted as decent living conditions, regardless to race. The greatest percentage of the houses occupied by Negroes in this area are quite insufficient in providing ample conveniences and living area for the family.

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Voter Registration in the area seems to have a good future. Presently there are approximately 2,300 registered Negroes in Columbia County and nearly 3,000 unregistered.

Mrs. Carolyn Aaron, an energetic and civic-minded young lady, is directing the campaign. The youth of Lake City have vowed to make this campaign a flaming success.

SPECIAL REPORT

Hugh T. Love

RE: Political Action

Hugh T. Love
August, 1964

Ft. Pierce, St. Lucie County, Florida. The campaign in Ft. Pierce is moving with great force. Like the rains, have they showered the Gospel of First-Class Citizenship upon the people. From all corners of the city people are coming to the little "shack" on Avenue "D" to register. This "little place" is maned by Negro Deputy Registrars from 9 a.m. until 9 p.m. each day, Monday through Saturday. With anceasing efforts, Mrs. Verdell Floyd, the director, and her band of workers are doing one of the best jobs of Voter Registration in the state of Florida.

Nearly 500 new names have been added to the books in the last two weeks. Although much has been accomplished since the start of the campaign, there is plenty more to be done.

Mrs. Floyd has employed the use of the newspaper, radio and personal correspondence, and publicity materials from our office to publicize the campaign. From all indications, a good job will be done in Ft. Pierce and St. Lucie County.

memo from w. c. patton SEP 3

TO: Mrs. Jane Bond Moore

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of Aug. 20, requesting reports from St. Petersburg, Winterhaven, Gainesville and Jacksonville Florida.

I have information that reports that have come from these places have been forwarded to the office already. However, the secretary has agreed to make duplicate copies and forward them .

The St. Petersburg campaign has already closed due to an election. Gainesville was delayed, but will get underway this week.

Reports form others should be in your office. However, you may expect duplicate copies.

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MEMO TO: W. C. Patton, Associate Director
Voter Registration
234 Hernando Street, Memphis, Tennessee

SEP 14 1964

FROM: Milton Hardrick, Coordinator, Crusade for
Voter Registration Drive, Dade County

Narrative Report, August 31 - September 5, 1964, inclusive

The impact of the Crusade for Voters Registration Drive in the Miami area began to show its results this past week. On many occasions the Committee for Voter Registration had to pitch in and help the paid workers of the County (Dade) to register the many persons who crowded the registration centers in the areas that we have been working. Of particular significance was the St. Agnas Church in precinct 118 that forms part of the critical area where 16,000 unregistered Negro voters reside.

May I say at this time that a majority of the committee was deputized to perform this function.

The door to door work was stepped up this past week, as well as a telephone campaign last week.

Operations were sus pended Friday and Saturday, September 4th and 5th. As I had not talked with you at any time and all previous communication had been carried out through other channels, and I had no idea how far I should go, I felt in the best interest of all that a move of this type was needed. I would like to state at various times for the overall benefit of the drive that on the days that the books were open from nine till nine (9 A.M. till 9 P.M.) I worked the people on a long day. This procedure was employed on Saturdays when the books were opened from nine till five (9A.M. till 5 P.M.). This proved to be very effective as most of the working Negro population or should I say that the voting population was available to be educated.

At the rate of pay it was rather difficult to obtain people to work on the basis of our first offer. When the Urban League established a higher scale of pay it became a fierce competitive issue and I was reminded of this from some or should I say in a relative sense from all of our workers. A true sense of loyalty still remained to our cause in spite of this situation. The overall picture would have been improved if the Nationals of the participating organizations had formulated plans for Miami and did this as a total picture.

I have some overtime for the week and I am sure the new registration will justify the type of program that we had for the last two weeks. On Thursday night, September 3, St. Agnas

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registered over two hundred and twenty-five in 3½ hours. Mrs. Range and four of our field workers and myself had to participate to make this effort a success. Situations of this nature demanded that I adjust to the immediate needs of the drive.

This past week as in the past, I tried to use as many methods as I could under the circumstances of this operation to produce the desired results. Your contact and mine has been limited, which was most unfortunate.

May I say at this time that the NAACP is the "ONLY ORGANIZATION" that has made available any type of literature, bumper strips, educational material, hand ills, newspaper advertising, (enclosure) radio coverage, announcements to the churches, motorcades, volunteer help, or any form of information to arouse or stimulate the Negro community to an all out effort. At this time we are beset with an organization riding on the coattails of our drive. I say this without hesitation that the major substance of this drive has been provided by the effort of "CRUSADE for VOTERS". Also the affiliated organizations that joined in to help with committee representation, Young Democratic Association, C.O.R.E., South Dade Political Action Committee, Brownsville Improvement Association, and the powerful Dade County Ministerial Voter Registration Committee. This is the first in the history of Dade County.

Your concern for Dade should be one of immediate concern. An assessment by you for this area should be made for continued operations. I can only suggest that you return as the importance of this first effort will become more pronounced in the coming days.

The committee under Father Gibson have been able to have the books remain in the area Tuesday, September 8, and Wed. Sept. 9, to make up for the days that we lost due to the hurricane. This will be a great help.

To my knowledge the program was terminated Saturday, Sept. 5. It was indeed a pleasure being part of this and to work under your charge. If further activities are to prevail and I am to participate, I am sure those who represent you will pass this information on to me.

Trusting for your continued success and that the fruits of our endeavour will be apparent,

Respectfully submitted,

Milton Hardrick

Rec'd 9/8/64 WS JM JD Recorded

MEMO TO: W. C. Patton, Associate Director - Voter Registration
234 Hernando Street, Memphis, Tennessee

FROM: Milton Hardrick, Coordinator, Crusade For Registration Drive
Dade County

First Crusade for Voters would like to take this opportunity to thank you for the interest that you are showing in our determined effort to register more people in Dade County and for sending you representative to insure our complete success.

In retrospect Crusade For Voters had its first organizational meeting June 15, at which time a permanent committee consisting of Father Theodore Gibson, Chairman, Mrs. Athelie Range, Co-Chairman, Mrs. Iola W. Crawford, Secretary, Mr. Garth C. Reeves, Treasurer. From this has emerged an intensive all-out effort to register the 60,000 Negroes who are potential voters in Dade County.

Organizational plans for Dade County were instituted Monday, August 17, 1964, with Mrs. Range, Miss Helen Hayes and Milton Hardrick in attendance.

I Activities for the week of August 17, 1964

(a) Organizational meeting held at Range Funeral Home at which time the plan for Dade County was discussed. It was felt that the goal should be set at 15,000. A survey has revealed that the untapped reserve is 63,000.

(b) The drive shall have an intensified effort from August 24, until September 5th. An extension of this is subject to further discussion and approval.

(c) Territorial Divisions
The county is now divided into thirteen geographical areas:
Area 1 - Central Miami
Area 2 - Central Miami
Area 3 - Brownsville, Liberty City, Edison Center and adjacent areas. (Area 3 - because of the density in population was divided into 3 sections).
Area 4 - Opa Locka
Area 5 - Ojus, North Miami, North Miami Beach
Area 6 - Coconut Grove and Coral Gables
Area 8 - South Miami
Area 9 - Kendall & Howard
Area 10 - Richmond Heights and Rockdale
Area 11 - Perrine
Area 12 - Goulds, Princeton, Naranja, Modello, Black Point
Area 13 - Homestead and Florida City

Each area shall be supervised by an area chairman. Each area chairman shall be assisted by a Precinct Captain, Precinct workers, and block workers; or such other persons as shall best suit the given area--except that Area 3 shall be assigned three (3) Precinct Captains.

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II Cooperation of Radio Stations

(a) Disc Jockeys Party
A party to better establish a working relationship with our news outlets under the planning of Mrs. Athalie Range, at the Roosevelt Savings and Loan Association Community Room proved to be an overwhelming success. Between Mrs. Range and Garth Reeves who have worked most diligently, this party proved to be the highlight of the week's functional activities. In attendance were most of the staffs of the two stations that beam exclusively to the Negro market as well as the owners, plus most of the thirteen area chairmen. This seemed to give them the needed oomph to go out and get the job accomplished. Representing the clergy was Reverend Thedford Johnson, who spoke briefly on the merits of voter registration.

III Recruiting of workers

(a) Through the Urban League and Reverend Thedford John of St. John Institutional Baptist Church, and the local branch of the NAACP, we have recruited a number of young people to assist in the field. To date they have done a remarkable job.

CONCLUSION

Too much cannot be said regarding the fine cooperation that we have received from the committee and community--especially, Mrs. Range with her drive and open door policy to all of our proposals, as well as Reverend Thedford Johnson of St. John Baptist Church, who has allowed the organization to use his Church as our Central Headquarters in our most critical area. Many thanks to Garth Reeves, chairman of Lincoln National Bank, who has made available all facilities "including money" to help make this drive a success. Also, to Sam Moncur, Senior Law Student at Florida A & M Law School--many thanks for his interest and activities in the area of student participation.

I say without hesitation that this is the finest group of people that has ever assembled in Dade County to work on a project such as this, and I am certain that Dade County will go over the top on our projected figure.

Respectfully submitted,

Milton Hardrick, Coordinator
Crusade for Voter Registration
Drive, Dade County

MONTHLY REPORT

Helen Hayes SEP 14 1964

RE: Political Action
Crestview, Florida September, 1964

Crestview is a very small town located in Okaloosa County. There are 3,410 Negroes in all of Okaloosa County.

The Negroes in most of this county have begun to realize the value of the ballot. Most Negro streets here are unpaved, in fact there is only one Negro street paved in Crestview. The schools are overcrowed, there are not enough teachers, and there are many other things that happen in this thinly populated Negro area to make them aware of the power of the ballot.

Crestview is excelling all of the other communities in Okaloosa County. They have sixty more Negroes to get registered and they will have 100% Negro Registration.

Fort Walton Beach seems to be the hard egg in the area to crack. There is a great deal of complacency in this area backed by fear.

The chairman of the campaign is a high school Social Studies teacher. He has gathered a great number of his students and given them Voter Registration as a project. The kids seem very excited over the assignment. They have almost completed Crestview and they will go to Fort Walton Beach in a unit each afternoon, to try and create interest among the persons there.

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PROGRESS REPORT

Gainesville Voter Registration Drive, September, 1964

Community Background: No Negroes in elective position; 2 Negro policemen; no firemen; 3 deputy sheriffs; 1 juvenile officer; 3 federal civil service workers; approximately 5,300 Negroes now registered in Alachua County.

Organizational activities: Drive planned by NAACP Adult Branch, Voters League, and Voters for Equal Rights. National NAACP (W. C. Patton) visited here after a report from Hugh Love relating details of our successful January, 1964, registration drive. We were offered financial help for our current drive.

One white member of the planning committee, who had previously worked with us on a cooperative drive, pulled out of the coordinated effort, set up separate drive using NAACP Youth Council. The separate drive was planned without consultation with A. L. Daniels, Advisor to the Youth Council, or any of the other leaders working on the cooperative drive. There was an "anonymous" donation of $50 as prize money. When Mr. Daniels learned of the contest and separate drive, he attempted to coordinate the two drives as much as possible, but there was a great deal of confusion among the workers, loss of effiency, and duplication of effort.

The campaign dragged--adult workers not wishing to participate in a contest, and the Youth workers not as effective as adults. After 3 weeks' work, the youths had theoretically contacted every Negro house in town, made appointments for people to be picked up by white volunteer drivers. Very few registrations resulted. Pre-

cinct 13, organized with adult blockworkers by Mr. L. V. Davis and Mr. Andrew Mickle before the youth council contest interfered, registered more than twice as many people as any other precinct.

Work in the county was fruitful, however. Voter Caravans were organized and sent to every settlement in the county to bring people in to the Courthouse to register.

Rev. Wright, President of NAACP, on September 17 called a joint meeting of Adult Branch and Youth Council to point out failure of divided drive and to reorganize the drive as a coordinated effort. A number of the youths remained in the coordinated effort to help achieve the goal (although their adult "leaders" still did not cooperate). The reorganization was successful; along with the county work, new plans resulted in our going over the goal of 1,000.

Leadership: Same as for previous registration and election work, with Mr. Daniels and Rev. Wright taking major leadership roles and a number of new people coming into the work at one level or another. We have now assigned permanent Precinct Captains and Blcok Captains to cover every Negro house in town, and are working on establishing Captains for each settlement area in the county. Through this organization, new leadership is becoming more active.

Organization: Same as previous--see our earlier 8-page report of registration and election activities.

I. Publicity

A. Organizations participating:

NAACP Adult Branch
Voters for Equal Rights worked closely together
Voters League
NAACP Youth Council-----partial cooperation
Human Relations Council--announcements made

B. Churches: Ministers contacted individually; cooperation from all who were contacted; Honor Rolls of Registered Voters put up in four largest churches; announcements made, congregations urged to register by several ministers; volunteer workers requested by some ministers.

C. Newspapers: Two articles submitted were printed (copies sent earlier) in Negro publications; notices of meetings in paper.

D. Radio: None. Publicity purposely subdued except at precinct level to avoid adverse white community reaction. (Tapes received too late to put on the air.)

E. Posters, etc. (previously submitted) done by planning committee and volunteers. Same group distributed, plus other volunteers and regular blockworkers.

II. Methods:

A. Mass Meetings:

Aug. 31--Mt. Carmel Church; Mr. Daniels spoke.
Sept. 17-- Mt. Carmel Church: Rev. Wright spoke.
Names were taken, workers signed up on the spot, followed up with block assignments. It is one way of getting more people; probably best to recruit individually for major workers, count on Mass Meeting to inspire more new ones to join the work.

B. Individuals in first three groups cooperated fully on planning, recruiting workers, carrying out work. Youth Council made separate house-to-house contacts; later some members cooperated with Adult Branch by passing out cookies, punch, and Certificates of Merit to new voters at Courthouse; some youth members did blockwork or volunteer driving under Rev. Wright's reorganized drive.

C. No office; 5 people reimbursed a fractional part of personal finances spent on gas, babysitters, and uncataloged registration expenses.

D. Canvassing--same organization as used before. Every street covered; every county settlement covered. Double canvass used++

flyers sent to every house in town and every settlement in county; later 2 door-knockers and 2 cars covered entire are street by street, town by town, taking people down immediately (on nights when Registration Office remained open late). Canvassers were volunteers from all walks of life, largely adults. Some white college students helped; also white professors and housewives as volunteer drivers.

Training given at Mass Meetings: signs were put up and instructions given orally as new workers showed up to do blockwork.

Motivations--both practical and ideological.

Special problems--occasionally volunteer drivers got separated from blockworkers and spent valuable time hunting each other. Solution--gave instructions to teams to arrange signals (3 honks) or meeting places in case of separation.

E. No parades or demonstrations. Interest was greatly stimulated by the long lines of people we brought down to the Courthouse. Refreshments were served all new voters (from a car parked by the Courthouse) and First Class Citizen Certificates of Merit were presented to new registrants immediately after registering. (These certificates proved very popular and helpful).

III. Registration Office

A. Registrar, Mrs. Alma Bethea, very cooperative and pleasant; some of her deputies are also pleasant; one, however, is especially obnoxious and much disliked.

B. Registrar voluntarily stayed open a number of nights and one Saturday; we used these times for door-by-door pickups.

C. No registration except at Courthouse.

D. Usual--no discrimination except some deputies' use of first names instead of titles; occasional acceptance of whites without their having to stand in long line of Negroes to register; some deputies begin by asking Negroes "Have you ever been in the State Pen, County Jail, or City Jail?" which sounds rather intimidating.

E. No opposition noted, except individual white men sometimes stood arround and stared angrily at long lines of registrants; white men were reported taking license numbers of voter registration caravan cars one evening.

F. Yes, workers actually went into office with fearful registrants.

G. Early in campaign, transportation appointments were taken. Not successful--some workers failed to turn in appointments; some people failed to meet them, some drivers could not find places, etc.

Later, cars went along street with door-knockers, took people down instantly. Six to 9-car caravans sent to outlying towns to a central point (school or church); in smaller areas, workers knocked on individual doors.

H. No literacy requirements.

I. None, except a mention of heavy Negro registration in white edition of newspaper article on registration.
On October 1, an anonymous radio "newsreport" blasted out "Is there a drive to get Negroes registered in Alachua County? Yes!" The "newsreport" went on with comments along the line of "Mrs. Bethea Supervisor of Registration, said night registration of Negroes was very heavy, but white registration during the day seemed to offset it" and announced the dates and hours that books would be open until Oct. 3.

IV. No communication with public officials about drive; no opposition; Registrar cooperative.

V. Results

A. Estimated 1,300 registered.

B. Registrar's office will give us more detailed report next week when they have caught up backlog.

C. About 200.

D. Four clerical workers paid for their work; a few others reimbursed for a fractional part of their expenses.

E. Refreshments and First Class Citizenship Certificates of Merit to registrants; party will be held for workers.

VI. Best we've ever done; plan to write up detailed organization as supplement to our earlier report. With our permanent organization of Blcok Captains and Blockworkers, election and registration work in Gainesville is highly organized and efficient. Countywide organization now being formed and will soon be in the same shape. Marked progress has been made in recruiting new workers and in developing new leadership. Interest and participation is at all all-time high. We could use additional financial help to pay for the expenses of the registration drive. We are now conducting a house-by-house drive to enroll NAACP memberships and collect funds to help pay expenses for the current election work, further registration work, and a very important City Commission election coming up in March.

Thomas W. Wright, President
Gainesville Branch, NAACP

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

NOV 7 1964

Period covered by this report: From September 26 to October 3, 1964

Person reporting Carolyn Aaron

1306 N. Davis — Street Address
Lake City — City
Columbia — County
Florida — State

Date submitted: October 25, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Columbia County Inc.

Ward, Beat, Etc. — Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 350

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 261

Number successfully registratered by this project this week 261

Number denied registration in this project this week 0

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means

a. Specify means

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 314

Number of workers in the campaign 8

Remarks We had to get the necessary information from the Registrar's Office before an official report could be filed.

Reports must be sent weekly. Note: Attach narrative report to this.

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NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Period covered by this report: From September 27 to October 3, 19 64

Person reporting Mrs. M. M. Pope

668 West Carolina St. — Street Address
Tallahassee — City
Leon — County
Florida — State

Date submitted: October 20, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Leon County, Fla.

Ward, Beat, Etc. — All Precincts — Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 1000

Number instructed at home

Number instructed at clinics

Number instructed other places a. Specify places

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 406

Number successfully registratered by this project this week 406

Number denied registration in this project this week 0

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means 1500

a. Specify means Leaflets, telephone and Citizenship Bus, Sandwich Men, Ads.

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 1038

Number of workers in the campaign 150

Remarks This was the last week of the campaign which closed on Oct. 3, 1964. Therefore, because of the last minute rush to register, the last weeks were very successful.

Reports must be sent weekly. Note: Attach narrative report to this.

DATE October 13, 1964

COUNTY Alachua

REGISTERED VOTERS - GENERAL ELECTION 1964

DEMOCRATS

White 23,659 Colored 6,027

REPUBLICANS

White 2,261 Colored 353

OTHERS

Independent White 485 Colored 31

Does your County use voting machines? yes (yes) (no) How many 29

Kind Automatic. Number of Precincts in your County 32.

SIGNED

SUPERVISOR OF REGISTRATION

OFFICIAL ACCOUNT
October 13, 1964

Pct #	Dem White	Dem Color	Rep White	Rep Color	Ind White	Ind Color	Total
1	354	137	26	13	4	1	535
2	285	214	13	20	11	4	547
33	693	355	30	7	2	4	1091
4	921	24	86	1	10	0	1042
5	1748	2	188	38	54	0	2030
6	543	190	4	11	1	0	749
7	952	773	84	52	15	5	1881
8	367	251	20	9	4	0	651
9	133	0	7	3	0	0	143
10	331	142	11	17	4	0	505
11	354	206	15	7	1	0	583
12	1693	46	130	3	25	0	1897
13	662	1283	17	56	7	1	2026
14	189	8	23	0	1	0	221
15	113	67	9	5	1	0	195
16	828	468	64	20	21	4	1405
17	704	0	75	0	26	1	806
18	253	91	24	5	2	0	375
19	231	29	14	0	0	0	274
20	569	162	16	8	4	0	759
21	397	158	12	14	3	0	584
22	74	21	2	0	0	0	97
23	1353	60	164	0	46	1	1624
24	1324	1	188	0	32	0	1545
25	828	326	113	16	24	2	1309
26	1392	29	166	2	27	0	1616
27	759	72	77	6	16	0	930
28	738	798	65	34	2	2	1689
29	2339	23	241	3	49	0	2625
30	995	35	95	0	14	0	1139
31	1188	0	244	0	70	0	1496
32	332	56	38	3	9	0	437
	23,469	6,027	2,861	353	485	32	32,226

REGISTERED AND UNREGISTERED CITIZENS

IN FLORIDA'S 20 LARGEST COUNTIES, MAY 3, 1964

(Compiled by Secretary of State Tom Adams)

COUNTY	*ESTIMATED 1963 POPULATION	**PERCENT OVER 21 YRS. 1960 CENSUS	**EST. POP. OVER 21 1964	REGISTERED VOTERS MAY, 1964	ELIGIBLE BUT NOT REGISTERED
1. DADE	1,101,000	65.56	721,816	429,064	292,752***
2. DUVAL	503,700	57.58	290,030	168,555	121,475
3. HILLSBOROUGH	429,800	61.60	264,756	167,089	97,667
4. PINELLAS	418,200	72.99	305,244	202,192	103,052
5. BROWARD	398,700	64.83	258,477	171,033	87,444
6. ORANGE	297,000	60.54	179,803	98,967	80,836
7. PALM BEACH	271,400	65.26	177,115	112,312	64,803
8. POLK	212,300	59.72	126,785	76,869	49,916
9. ESCAMBIA	191,400	54.49	104,293	65,501	38,792
10. BREVARD	150,800	58.26	87,856	53,766	34,090
11. VOLUSIA	141,900	68.48	97,173	64,788	32,385
12. SARASOTA	90,100	69.78	62,871	38,507	24,364
13. ALACHUA	86,500	54.61	47,238	26,257	20,981
14. LEON	82,600	54.64	45,132	27,250	17,882
15. MANATEE	76,700	68.77	52,746	34,685	18,061
16. LEE	68,900	64.24	44,261	27,387	16,874
17. BAY	68,700	54.97	37,764	25,170	12,594
18. SEMINOLE	67,200	57.18	38,424	18,608	19,816
19. OKALOOSA	65,800	53.80	35,400	24,634	10,766
20. LAKE	62,400	64.43	40,204	25,102	15,102

*Source: Population estimates compiled by the University of Florida Bureau of Economic and Business Research. (Use of 1963 population figures assures that all persons included in this survey meet the minimum state residency requirement for voter registration of one year.)

**Source: 1960 U. S. census. The estimate of voters over the age of 21 was compiled by finding the percentage of persons over 21 in the 1960 census in each county and applying it to 1963 county population estimates.

***This figure of all unregistered persons over 21 in Dade County includes upwards of 100,000 Cuban refugees who are not citizens and hence not eligible to vote.

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(Note: The office of Secretary of State estimates that there are about 1,200,000 adults in the State of Florida who are eligible but not registered to vote.)

Note: of this 20,981, Alachua Co. has registered 6,559 since April 10, 1964,
Olivia K. Bettie

THE FLORIDA SPUR

CHAMPION OF THE PEOPLE'S RIGHTS BROWARD COUNTY'S ONLY NEGRO WEEKLY

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Like Vultures Waiting Their Prey

On November 3rd, all Americans are privileged to go to the polls to vote for the candidates of their choice. This — among other things — is what makes our country great. Your vote is a heritage which you should use and prize above a price, fee or sell for a "Mess of Pottage."

In using your God-given heritage as an American citizen, with the privelege to vote — you should vote intelligently and unselfishly to elect the candidates who offer both nationally and locally the most honest, cleanest, and progressive platform for all people. And most of all, to all people, a government of justice — justice tempered with mercy and understanding of the needs of our great country.

Here in Fort Lauderdale, I am embarrassed to expose the present rat-race of most of the Negro organizations carrying their individual, separated and selfish campaigns. There are a few organizations such as the Northwest Voters League, NAACP, and the Clarence C. Walker Civic League, which are honest in their endeavors to lead the Negroes on an honest, unselfish path.

I regret to say that these organizations are not as loud and verbose as the other less desirable organizations and therefore, have heretofore been less effctive in getting the Negro voters to follow.

I urge, sincerely, honest organizations to take the lead in the coming campaign and since they were mostly responsible for getting the people to the Courthouse and elsewhere to Register. They should also impress the Negro voters with the importance of following their unselfish leadership to the polls on Nov. 3.

Some of the members of the Negro Alibi Civic Club, Caps, Negro Ministerial Alliance, Negro Professional Business Men's League, are selling the Negroes vote to anyone who will buy it. They do little or nothing to get the people registered. These are probably dead individuals in these organizations until time for political elections, then they come alive and beg the unsuspecting anxious white candidates to give them the "money" and each claims he can deliver the Negro vote for any or all candidates.

Some of these individuals accept money from both sides, dishonestly claiming to have the Negro votes in their hands. You would be surprised how many white candidates are suckers and vunerable to these tactics. These organizations along with a few individuals solicit and receive the "Political Money", go home, have a party and do practically nothing which is good in a way, because they have no regards to whom they sell the Negro votes.

I hope the white candidates get wise and stop feeding these dishonest vultures who are selling their people cheap down the river. I also hope the Lauderdale voting Negro people denounce such individuals and discredit them and vote wisely, supporting the proper candidates of their choice, thus discourage the dishonest Negro-vote-selling vultures "Just Watching for Their Prey."

— Van D. Mizell, M.D.

Mrs. M. Elyzabeth Ware

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Oct 27. 1964

1325 N. W. 6th Street (Apt. 4), Fort Lauderdale, Florida

Mrs Jane Bond Moore
52 Forsythe Street. N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia.

VEP 4-24

My Dear Mrs Bond:

I am sending you material from our Broward County office of Voter Registration which is official.

I worked the last week of the Voter drive only. Mrs Johnson wrote and the material. We feel that the success of our campaign was due to advertisment, Radio, News papers ect. Our problems are not in getting people to registrar. Our office of Voter Registration is open to all. Mrs Johnson last week a bridge incident in the history of Negro registering to Vote in the Country where they have been mistreated.

Read the Critical by Dr. Miller and you'll see what the real problem is here. We need a new Negro to lead the people not the Uncle Tom's,

Elyzabeth Ware.

Brownwood County - Negro

Total Registration
May 31, 1964 13,381

New Registration:

June	1 - 30	110	
July	1 - 31	211	
Aug.	1 - 17	159	
Sep.	14 - 30	3123	
Oct.	1 - 3	1409	
		5012	5012

Less Removals -
June 1 Thru Oct 3. -188

Current registration
For Nov. 3, 1964 18,205

Less additional
removals Received
from Oct 3 Thru Nov. 3.

REGISTERED VOTERS IN BROWARD COUNTY
NOVEMBER GENERAL 1960
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Pct.	Total	Democrat W	Democrat B (negro)	Republican W	Republican B (negro)	Others W	Others B	MALE	FEMALE
1	2,527	1,012	387	992	7	60	1 br. 5	1,227	1,300
2	2,973	1,562		1,292		119		1,474	1,499
3	575	293		263		19		261	314
4	3,702	1,921		1,646		135		1,796	1,906
4A	1,060	593		427		40		546	514
5	1,427	586		800		41		675	752
6	2,136	1,229		837		70		1,040	1,096
7	1,169		929		232		8	549	620
8	514	391		113		10		276	238
9	1,892	1,080		763		49		892	1,000
10	845	378		432		35		388	457
11	2,943	1,389		1,444		110		1,405	1,538
12	3,326	1,874		1,323		129		1,637	1,689
13	2,805	1,501	149	1,013	55	86	1	1,346	1,459
14	1,341	936		371		34		679	662
15	650	439		199		12		328	322
16	1,662	1,010		614		38		788	874
17	1,260	772		463		25		584	676
18	1,317	631		637		49		640	677
19	1,533	658		816		59		723	810
20	689	301		373		15		316	373
21	1,207	552		625		30		546	661
22	700	345		322		33		327	373
23	1,242	659		544		39		557	685
24	1,200	689		480		30	1 yel	530	670
25	918	501		402		15		381	537
26	894	538		328		28		365	529
27	984	718		241		25		485	499
28	776	506		260		10		361	415
29	1,270	861		381		28		605	665
30	834	607		219		8		398	436
31	856	628		219		9		435	421
32	815	534		260		21		404	411
33	1,430	1,026		377		27		721	709
34	1,898		1,603		288		7	911	987
35	1,572		1,336		227		9	750	822
36	1,245	783		427		35		616	629
37	1,156	745		390		21		552	604
38	879	664		201		14		407	472
39	826		687		137		2	415	411
40	959	645		293		21		441	518
41	713	513		188		12		287	426
42	1,080	661		400		19		446	634
43	886	557		311		18		350	536
44	1,562	687		829		46		714	848
45	1,592	798		743		51		752	840
46	910	497		379		34		433	477
47	1,337	890		431		16		587	750
48	681	502		168		11		306	375
49	463	309		144		10		196	267
50	941	715		217		10		433	508
51	1,341	836		485		20		624	717
52	939	628		295		16		421	518
53	1,264	870		365		29		593	671
54	225	166		57		2		114	111
55	1,322	904		380		38		644	678
56	478	328		133		7		247	231
57	992	493		463		36		478	514
58	2,078	1,323		674		81		1,036	1,042
59	1,460	953		457		50		738	722

REGISTERED VOTERS (Cont)
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Pct.	Total	Democrat W	Democrat B	Republican W	Republican B	Others W	Others B	MALE	FEMALE
60	1,877	1,174		646		57		895	982
61	1,662	1,084		542		36		799	863
62	1,582	947		576		59		781	801
63	2,521	1,739		701		81		1,320	1,201
64	565		451		114			275	290
65	1,574	988		543		43		796	778
66	3,007	1,939		977		90	1	1,542	1,465
67	1,332	1,060		247		25		709	623
68	1,784	1,269		456		59		913	871
69	567		503		63		1	294	273
70	665	500		144		21		344	321
71	1,592	1,176		375		41		782	810
72	520		476		39		5	244	276
73	1,508	1,096		366		46		739	769
74	804	579		207		18		382	422
75	1,230	857		342		31		571	659
76	1,299	940		321		38		639	660
77	1,313	952		324		37		633	680
78	2,132	1,587		483		62		1,038	1,094
79	1,473	1,062		382		29		674	799
80	632	443		169		20		309	323
81	1,505	1,110		365		30		689	816
82	950	686		247		17		447	503
83	1,200	873		301		26		543	657
84	730	571		147		12		352	378
85	1,225	918		288		19		597	628
86	905	702		177		26		434	471
87	1,351	924		393		34		650	701
88	1,009		906		100		3	494	515
89	1,795	1,357		400		38		909	886
90	1,469	1,145	19	273	4	28		732	737
91	2,371	1,825		482		64		1,224	1,147
92	899		726		167		6	421	478
93	1,208	944		239		25		598	610
94	2,320	1,661		613		46		1,153	1,167
95	2,200	1,622	1	518	1	58		1,132	1,068
96	2,045	1,518		463		64		1,007	1,038
97	423	300		113		10		217	206
98	3,070	2,355		657		58		1,602	1,468
99	919	740		161		18		456	463
100	1,221	861		327		33		600	621
101	2,468	1,785	42 red 2 br	561	3 red 1 br	72	2 red	1,252	1,216
	139,193	83,486	8,217	42,432	1,501	3,506	51	67,364	71,829

Total Democrats	91,703	Whites	129,424
Total Republicans	43,933	Blacks	9,718
Total Others	3,557	Others	51
Total	139,193	Total	139,193

Total Registered Males	67,364
Total Registered Females	71,829
Total	139,193

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE

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Please direct reply to:

W. C. Patton, Associate Director
Registration & Voting
234 Hernando Street
Memphis 5, Tennessee
525-6057
527-8264

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JM ✓
Recorded ✓

October 30, 1964

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M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Mrs. Jane Bond Moore

FROM: W. C. Patton

In reply to your letter of October 23, 1964, concerning final reports for various cities in Florida, we are enclosing the following information.

The last reports you received for the following citites are the final reports, due to the fact that these campaigns were closed for various reasons:

City	Final Report
St. Petersburg	August 1 - 8
Daytona Beach	August 10-14
Orlando	Sept. 12-21
Crestview	Aug. 19-Sept. 26

Enclosed is a duplicate copy of the final report for Marianna, Florida, which was mailed previously.

The final reports for Tallahassee and Lake City are being mailed under seperate cover as usual.

WP 4-24

Duplicate COPY

NAACP VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Period covered by this report: From Sept. 21 to 26, 1964

Person reporting Ernestine Collins

Rt. 3, Box 170	Marianna	Jackson	Florida
Street Address	City	County	State

Date submitted: Sept. 26, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies:

15, 32, 18, 30

Ward, Beat, Etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 200

Number instructed at home 50

Number instructed at clinics 200 or more

Number instructed other places Thousands a. Specify places clubs, lodges, churches

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 95

Number successfully registratered by this project this week 95

Number denied registration in this project this week 0

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means Thousands

a. Specify means Radio

Number refusing to participate

a. Reason for refusing to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start 392

Number of workers in the campaign 25

Remarks

Reports must be sent weekly. Note: Attach narrative report to this.

October 23, 1964

Mr. W. C. Patton
234 Hernando Street
Memphis, Tennessee

RE: VEP 4-26

Dear Mr. Patton:

We have still not received all the progress and final reporting from several cities in Florida. We would appreciate it if the following cities would send us the missing information:

Cities	Last Report
St. Petersburg	August 8
Daytona Beach	August 14
Orlando	September 21
Crestview	September 26
Marianna	September 19
Tallahassee	September 18
Lake City	September 26.

Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Jane Bond Moore
Research Assistant

Nov. 3, 1964 Pensacola

Pensacola, Florida

Precint	White Dem.	White Rep.	White Other	Colored Dem.	Colored Rep.	Colored Other	Grand Total
1	605	43	12	9			669
2	583	16	1				600
3	668	38	15				721
4	1782	215	26				2023
5	531	16	1	4			552
6	956	32	9	13			1010
7	53	1		54	1		109
8	75	1		32			108
9	272						272
10	284	1					285
11	278	4		52			354
12	223	7		53	2		285
13	268	7	2	349	12		638
14	258	31	1	48	5		333
15	245	1	1	78	3	1	329
16	131						131
17	294	11		280	6		591
18	232	4	1				238
19	682	20	1	115	1		819
20	354	2		136	2		494
21	284	3		24	1		312
22	626	10	3	322			961
23	297	2					299
24	349	32	6	36			423
25	718	15	3	1			737
26	497	26	8				436
27	484	20		11			515
28	174	3		644	12	1	834
29	69	3		511	18		661
30	466	25	5	26	1		523
31	248	15	2	605	17		887
32	269	3		141	6		419
33	497	2	1	1			501
34	321	12	2	102	3		440
35	882	38	10				930
36	311	5	1	102	1		420
37	1222	50	9	62	3		1346
38	25[illegible]	[illegible]	2	198	1		469

Precint	White Democrat	White Repub.	White Other	Colored Democrat	Colored Rep.	Colored other	Grand Total
39	609	13	3				625
40	409	19	4				432
41	134	3	1	197	8		343
42	268	3	1	166	2		440
43	328	10	1				339
44	921	72	6			2	1001
45	148						148
46	330	7		1			340
47	599	26	12	1			638
48	222	3	2	365	7	1	600
49	195	5		813	19	1	1033
50	683	35	6	115	1		840
51	481	14	3				498
52	366	10	2	2			380
53	1106	48	2	145	3		1304
54	388	10		88	4		490
55	166	11		432	12	1	622
56	783	36	4	27		1	851
57	387	5	1	8			401
58	772	43	1				816
59	1226	81	11				1318
60	272	25	1	481	16	1	796
61	700	31	6	31			768
62	701	24	5	287	12	1	1030
63	410	13	7				430
64	766	36	2				804
65	708	20	6				734
66	1439	69	9				1517
67	677	14	2	272	4		969
68	442	13	1	233	7		696
69	572	38	1	578	19		1208
70	233	20	3	2		2	260
71	1007	119	19				1145
72	407	11	1	203			622
73	896	44	7				947
74	289	5		591	21		906
75	462	6	1	27	1		497
76	47	3		616	19	2	[illegible]

Precint	White Democrat	White Repub.	White Other	Colored Democrat	Colored Rep.	Colored Other	Grand Total
77	765	46	17	1			829
78	981	70	17				1068
79	1098	78	14	1			1191
80	861	92	9				962
81	877	83	14				974
82	605	31	3				639
83	773	66	6	7			852
84	249	16	4	355	7		631
85	625	40	7				672
86	632	28	10	9			679
87	487	13	2				502
88	525	8					533
89	258	13	3	563	18		855
90				921	33	1	955
91				815	22	3	840
92	695	45	4				744
93	1391	114	7				1512
94	238	38	5				281
95	535	20	5	328	10	1	899
96	1395	125	13				1533
97	843	45	3	4			895
98	635	28	7	45	1		716
99	815	50	7				872
100	979	45	4	53	1		1082
101	819	31	1	7	1		859
102	1035	53	11	1			1100
103	934	78	17	29	1		1059
104	615	58	16	9			698
105	297	8	4				309
	36,984	2,199	463	12,898	346	21	73,691

REGISTERED VOTERS ~~IN~~ BROWARD COUNTY
GENERAL ELECTION - NOV. 1964
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Easter Lily Gates

PCT	TOTAL	DEMOCRAT White	DEMOCRAT Negro	DEMOCRAT Other	REPUBLICAN White	REPUBLICAN Negro	REPUBLICAN Other	OTHERS White	OTHERS Negro	OTHERS Other	MALE	FEMALE
1	2,647	965	881		639	107		47	8		1,243	1,404
1A	1,809	568			1,164			77			881	928
2	2,334	1,319			933			82			1,091	1,243
2A	1,994	724			1,185			85			960	1,034
2B	701	406		1 Br	266			28			353	348
3	621	268			340			13			284	337
4	1,639	935	1		638			65			780	859
4A	2,288	1,267	2		928			91			1,132	1,156
4B	1,820	622			1,140			58			856	964
4C	1,110	628			446			36			558	552
4D	1,514	844			614			56			724	790
5	1,914	665			1,191	1		57			889	1,025
6	1,589	862			674			53			743	846
6A	1,052	473			540			39			505	547
7	2,560		2,252	5 Br		284			18	1 Br	1,229	1,331
8	970	612	12		323	1		22			495	475
9	1,308	796		1 Br 1 Y	476			34			622	686
9A	1,355	593			719			43			624	731
10	1,069	461			546			62			497	572
11	3,119	1,345			1,639			135			1,498	1,621
11A	4,321	1,851			2,279			191			2,057	2,264
12	1,330	745			528			57			629	701
12A	2,013	1,238			709			66			986	1,027
12B	1,348	668			622			58			642	706
13	2,126	1,098		1 Y	954	1		72			970	1,156
13A	1,462	579			809	1		73			672	790
13B	1,243	704	163	2 Br	290	45		38		1 Br	603	640
14	2,992	1,879			1,006			107			1,534	1,458
14A	1,142	775	2		318			47			565	577

REGISTERED VOTERS IN BROWARD COUNTY
GENERAL ELECTION - NOV. 1964
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Easter Lily Gates

PCT	TOTAL	DEMOCRAT White	DEMOCRAT Negro	DEMOCRAT Other	REPUBLICAN White	REPUBLICAN Negro	REPUBLICAN Other	OTHERS White	OTHERS Negro	OTHERS Other	MALE	FEMALE
15	947	211	600		78	47		8	3		475	472
16	2,021	1,225			734			62			947	1,074
17	1,469	844			595			30			665	804
18	1,551	745			749			57			724	827
19	1,844	756			1,020			68			866	978
20	1,223	497			673			53			567	656
21	1,494	663			791			40			662	832
22	772	363			370			39			355	417
23	1,275	708		1 Br 2 Y	524			40			563	712
24	1,235	686			515			33		1 Y	516	719
25	915	499			382			34			383	532
26	1,078	648		2 Y	394			34			441	637
27	972	679			261			32			471	501
28	836	515			306			15			382	454
29	1,295	868			396			31			618	677
30	903	632	7		254			10			424	479
31	862	619	2		223	1	1 Y	16			422	440
32	1,042	681	2		344			15			524	518
33	1,403	997			383			23			679	724
34	2,264		2,006			249			9		1,083	1,181
34A	1,022		929			90			3		495	527
35	2,293		2,066			208			19		1,077	1,216
36	1,387	855			505			27			682	705
37	1,388	864			494			30			648	740
38	871	637			213			21			408	463
39	1,252	1	1,101			144			6		641	611
40	873	564			291			18			406	467
41	675	477			181			17			290	385
42	1,081	650			399			32			453	628
43	869	506			331			32			348	521

REGISTERED VOTERS IN BROWARD COUNTY
GENERAL ELECTION - NOV. 1964
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Easter Lily Gates

PCT	TOTAL	DEMOCRAT WHITE	DEMOCRAT Negro	DEMOCRAT Other	REPUBLICAN WHITE	REPUBLICAN Negro	REPUBLICAN Other	OTHERS White	OTHERS Negro	OTHERS Other	MALE	FEMALE
44	1,285	517			709			59			594	691
45	2,106	913	2		1,100	1		90			956	1,150
46	1,056	585		1 Br	438			32			490	566
47	1,460	920			513	1		26			633	827
48	654	458		1 Y	177			18			306	348
49	503	334			158			11			220	283
50	941	687			239			15			441	500
51	1,444	856		1 Y	559			28			663	781
52	862	561			279			22			380	482
53	1,319	877		1 Y	398			42		1 Y	587	732
54	238	163			69			6			107	131
55	1,314	863			407			44			627	687
56	672	446			204			22			342	330
57	1,097	566		1 Y	492			38			522	575
58	1,229	769			427			33			600	629
58A	1,311	801			460			50			650	661
59	1,831	1,204			565			61		1 Y	899	932
60	778	516			229			33			363	415
60A	1,664	987			632			45			789	875
61	1,673	1,051			582			40			797	876
62	1,767	1,034			677			56			871	896
63	1,764	1,054	174		473	7		55	1		897	867
63A	1,551	1,061			447			42		1 Y	768	783
64	1,417		1,256			157			4		666	751
65	2,515	1,560		1 Br 3 Y	883			68			1,257	1,258
65A	1,837	1,255			522			60			927	910
66	1,028	674			331			23			517	511
66A	1,404	779			585			40			704	700
66B	1,876	1,300		1 Y	502			72		1 Br	940	936

REGISTERED VOTERS IN BROWARD COUNTY
GENERAL ELECTION - NOV. 1964
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Easter Lily Gates

		DEMOCRAT			REPUBLICAN			OTHERS				
PCT	TOTAL	WHITE	Negro	Other	White	Negro	Other	White	Negro	Other	MALE	FEMALE
67	2,223	1,608	56	1 R	503	5	1 Y	49			1,159	1,064
68	1,227	845			341			41			626	601
68A	1,185	833			310			42			585	600
69	900	1	809	10 Br		80					439	461
70	747	541	1		175			30			374	373
71	1,634	1,207			382			45			777	857
72	983		929			45			9		454	529
73	2,831	1,998			730			102		1 Y	1,374	1,457
74	837	620			195			22			391	446
75	1,358	912			396			50			614	744
76	1,771	1,270			445			56			849	922
77	1,713	1,259			395			59			820	893
78	1,382	1,042			310			30			642	740
78A	2,077	1,456		1 Y	539			81			1,013	1,064
79	1,566	1,098		2 Y	422			44			698	868
80	744	501			205			38			359	385
81	1,550	1,120			378		2 Y	50			703	847
82	1,108	803			267			38			529	579
83	1,276	885			353			38			560	716
84	786	576			193			17			379	407
85	1,245	928			276			41			599	646
86	898	706			168			24			429	469
87	1,607	1,090			476			41			750	857
88	1,779		1,656			117			6		837	942
89	1,322	994			292			35		1 Y	651	671
89A	861	650			181			30			423	438
90	2,513	1,944	20	1 Y	495	3		50			1,224	1,289
91	1,390	1,085			255			50			676	714
91A	1,397	1,042			325			30			713	684

REGISTERED VOTERS IN BROWARD COUNTY
GENERAL ELECTION - NOV. 1964
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Easter Lily Gates

PCT	TOTAL	DEMOCRAT White	DEMOCRAT Negro	DEMOCRAT Other	REPUBLICAN WHITE	REPUBLICAN Negro	REPUBLICAN Other	OTHERS White	OTHERS Negro	OTHERS Other	MALE	FEMALE
92	1,595		1,419			168			8		720	875
93	1,333	1,039			270		1 Br	23			666	667
94	1,636	1,180			416			40			790	846
94A	867	657			190		1 Br	19			453	414
94B	2,055	1,557		1 Y	432		1 Y	64			997	1,058
95	1,742	1,280		1 Br	419			42			873	869
95A	2,409	1,860			482			67			1,217	1,192
96	1,525	1,167			316			42			760	765
96A	1,003=	764			209			30			487	516
97	1,483	1,118			341			24			768	715
97A	664	504			149			11			322	342
98	2,545	1,921			576			46		2 Br	1,330	1,215
98A	2,257	1,791			429			37			1,158	1,099
99	969	779		1 Y	163			26			468	501
99A	510	382			109			19			259	251
100	764	559			189			16			374	390
100A	659	466			164			29			323	336
101	2,262	1,632		2 Br 45 R	481		2 R	93		1 Br 6 R	1,139	1,123
101A	1,401	1,074		1 Br	292			34			679	722
	195,687	110,815	16,348	26 Br 20 Y 46 R	61,013	1,763	2 Br 5 Y 2 R	5,535	94	6 Br 6 Y 6 R	93,780	101,907
TOTAL	195,687	110,815	16,348	92	61,013	1,763	9	5,535	94	18	93,780	101,907

Total Democrats	127,255
Total Republicans	62,785
Total Others	5,647
	195,687

Total Whites	177,363
Total Negro	18,205
Total Brown	34
Total Yellow	31
Total Red	54
	195,687

Total Male	93,780
Total Female	101,907
	195,687

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SUMMARY REPORT

Helen Hayes

RE: Political Action - FLORIDA 1964

Tampa Plant City

An all out voter registration campaign was organized in the Tampa Plant City area, where the cigar industry is one of the chief sources of employment. The campaign was filled with zest. William Tunstall, a retired radio announcer was hired to direct the campaign. Mr. Tunstall had connections with all phases of the community, therefore everyone was involved in the campaign, including white people.

Block workers were gotten for all of the areas and a chairman was gotten for the Plant City area. These persons canvassed with great enthusiasm. A truck was put in the streets with folk singers with guitars, singing voter registration songs. The fever grew on everyone involved so much that the trucks and cars were carried throughout the county.

There is always room for improvement, but Tampa came pretty close to having a prefect campaign. Atty. S. J. Kenneth Rodgers chaired the campaign. There were two paid workers, a director and a secretary. The volunteer blitz workers numbered 500. The total registration for the six-week effort was approximately 3,000.

St. Petersburg

St. Petersburg is located in Pinellas County; the city is sometimes called the sunshine city. The campaign was organized with all of the local organizations participating. This made up a sound organization. During the first week of the campaign an emergency election came up and the books were closed until late September. Therefore the campaign had to be discontinued.

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Jacksonville

Jacksonville, Duval County, Florida is located in the northern part of the state. It is the second largest city in Florida. Jacksonville is considered to be somewhat of a vice town. Several slum areas have been cleared up because of the freeways and the urban renewal program, but there are still quite a few slums still existing.

There is a large number of Negroes on the police force in Jacksonville. This could be, and I suppose this is, because of the heavy crime rate among Negroes in Jacksonville. There are Negroes working in the downtown city buildings as janitors, maids, etc.

Many contacts were made with the political and social clubs of the city, and many businessmen were contacted also. The social clubs agreed to work in the campaign 100 per cent; however, little cooperation was gotten from the political clubs and businessmen.

A meeting was held with the ministerial Alliance. The meeting showed little results, for only one or two of the members cooperated with the effort. Radio and television time was obtained, and posters, handbills and other publicity materials were distributed to all parts of the city.

No special Mass Meeting was held in this campaign. However, Alfred Baker Lewis, Treasurer, NAACP, spoke in Jacksonville and encouraged the citizens to lead the way to the ballot box.

All of the Negro areas were canvassed. Each area had an area leader; the area leader appointed blockworkers. These blockworkers took with them information in the form of leaflets on how to register and how to obtain transportation if they did not have any way to get to the Registrar's office. The volunteer workers were a cross section of Jacksonville community, and they were orientated into their duties by an NAACP staff worker.

An effort to secure a donkey to advertise the drive proved unsuccessful. During the drive the books were placed in the different neighborhoods. This proved very helpful, but was not as successful as it could have been. Mrs. Queen B. William directed the campaign and Mr. Alexander Heard served as chairman. As a result of this effort, approximately 8,000 or more persons were registered. There were two paid workers in the campaign, a director and a secretary.

During the latter part of the year, Mr. W. C. Patton, Mr. Hugh Love and yours truly were in Jacksonville to help kick off another campaign. Mr. Herbert Torrence, a local tailor was hired on a parttime basis as director. The campaign seemed to have gotten off to a slow start to pick up by momentum. As a result of this last effort, 2609 persons were registered.

Crestview

Crestview is one of the smaller towns in North Florida with a very small Negro population in Crestview and throughout the county. A voter registration campaign was organized for Crestview and the surrounding area of Walton County. Mr. Howard T. Williamson served as director. A list of all the registered Negroes was obtained from the Registrar's office and from this list, the persons that were not registered were contacted. Each worker was given a list of unregistered persons and it was their responsibility to get these persons registered.

A group of students from the local high school joined in the campaign. They added zest to the project and one of the best civic projects ever was put in motion. Two weeks before the close of the campaign only 60 Negroes were left to register. Two workers were left to work with this sixty and the remainder of the task force was taken to Fort Walton Beach, Baker and other

surrounding areas of the county. A total of 1000 persons were registered. The most successful civic effort in Crestview.

Winter Haven

Winter Haven, one of the small Florida towns, is located in the citrus area of the state with a population of 25,000.

The chief occupation of Negroes in this area is the citrus groves. There are no Negroes holding any elective office nor has any been appointed to one. There are two Negro policemen; no Negro firemen. Most of the Negroes living in Winter Haven are similar to any other citrus town inhabitants - most of them are in the low income bracket.

The voter registration campaign was organized for the whole of Polk County, including the cities of Lakeland, Bartow, Haines City, and Winter Haven, and each area was headed by a chairman. The books were purged in all of the areas and registering was necessary. A great deal had to be done because Florida had a very important election coming up, the gubernatorial election along with the election of State and United States Senators and Representatives.

Mrs. Althea Mills directed the campaign and Rev. A. E. Atkins was chairman. The campaign was fairly successful; superb cooperation was gotten from the ministers. As a result of this effort, 2100 persons were registered.

Orlando

Orlando, the city beautiful, is located in Orange County. This area is noted for its citrus groves. Many of the people here are employed as citrus pickers. A great number of these people travel to the North during citrus off-season to pick apples. The all season employees hold jobs as teachers, secretaries, maids, janitors, etc. Some Negroes are employed at Cape Kennedy.

Voter registration moved well under the chairmanship of Atty. Norris Woolfork, III, and the direction of Mrs. Mable Richardson. An army of youths participated in the campaign, and their participation proved very helpful to the campaign. They carried voter registration signs, canvassed, made public speeches, and held pep rallies.

A skit was held at a pep meeting demonstrating the right and wrong approach when trying to secure a prospective voter.

Many persons from all segments were involved in the campaign. New blood was obtained, persons who had no previous concern with the project became actively engaged.

One of the main issues that should be taken into consideration in Orlando's (Orange County) campaign should be to follow up commitments made by local residents such as promises by local undertakers for cars, financial commitments, etc.

As a result of this campaign, 2130 persons were registered.

Pensacola

The biggest and the best is the most descriptive phrase for the Pensacola campaign. Never has there been so much action-packed drama in Pensacola's voter registration attempts. Again the youth took the lead; they worked as if there would be no more campaigns. They were actually grabbing people as they got off buses, stopping them in banks, on street corners, in department stores, etc. These youths were very neat in appearance everyday and were sandwiched with voter registration picket signs.

No Negroes hold any elective public office, nor has any been appointed to any office.

No hostility was shown on the part of the Registrar. There were instances where elderly Negroes could not climb the steep steps. Someone working in the

Registrar's office would come outside and register them in their cars. However,as a whole, a certain segment of the Negro community was hostile toward the entire effort. This was the group lest expected to be hostile to the effort, the ministers. In an interview with the director, Mrs. Alice Kendricks, she revealed that the reasons for this resentment was because a lady was heading the movement. This and nothing else kept the campaign from snowballing; 3114 persons were registered as a result of this effort.

Daytona Beach

Daytona Beach, the home of Mary McCleod Bethune, and Bethune Cookman College. Daytona to my idea, did not offer much in the line of voter registration. This could have been attributed to the fact that the director was manager of an insurance company and did not have the time to devote to the campaign that would have made it highly successful. However 1096 persons were registered.

St. Augustine, Florida

St. Augustine is the oldest city in the United States in structure and tradition. This town is the most active in Klu Klux Klan activity. There is said to be no hostility toward Negroes on the part of the Registrar, but there is hostility toward Negro citizens in every other way.

Most Negroes of voting age in St. Augustine had just about given up. Those that are not teachers, and have to look to the white community for a livelihood, had no other choice but to be complacent and abide by the white man's law. They showed little concern about registering.

It was the youth again who sparked the campaign. Door-to-door canvassing was the big gun in this campaign. The youth knocked on doors from early

evening until the late hours of the night.

Miss Patricia Neely was youth director for the campaign. Behind her was a dedicated group of young people. Not only did these youths knock on doors, but they made early morning and late night telephone contacts. They visited the churches, pool rooms and other public gatherings.

Rev. H. L. Smith was hired as adult director. Rev. Smith's group was not half as effective as the youth. However, the adults did very well with getting press releases to the newspapers, talking to the ministers, making telephone contacts and canvassing.

Two persons were on the payroll in St. Augustine, a youth director and an adult director.

The results of this campaign were good compared to the conditions in St. Augustine. Approximately 500 persons were registered.

If another campaign should take place in St. Augustine, I believe that it will be more action-packed. I believe that the citizens of St. Augustine are more awakened.

Tallahassee

Tallahassee Leon County, Florida is the capital of Florida and the home of Florida A. & M. and Florida State Universities.

There are Negroes employed on Florida A. & M. and Florida State's campuses. There is a crate factory in Tallahassee and a number of Negroes are hired there. Negroes hold regular jobs as maids in private homes, waitresses, and waiters in Negro resturants, etc. The Negroes in Tallahassee have not at this point reached any fair employment practices; however there is public school desegregation. There are Negroes going to the previously all-white Florida State University.

Voter registration hummed in Tallahassee this year. The whole community gave their undivided cooperation. Persons who had never been involved before became warriors in this great army. There were college instructors, public school teachers, secretaries, heads of departments, crate factory workers, and just plain everyday citizens. The college kids joined in and the football team made this a special project.

Every ounce of enthusiasm and dedication was thrown into this campaign. Handbills were printed at the expense of the University. In fact, the secretaries used the Universities' paper, ink and time to prepare the handbills. The students at FAMU distributed them. Each time night registration was held, a handbill was printed and distributed to that effect. The books were open for three hours each Thursday night. In the run of the three hours, there were never less than 250 persons registered.

Persons working on a volunteer basis went into the different communities two hours before the start of the night registration, preparing and reminding people to be picked up. No community was left out.

A bus was charted from the city for three hours and this bus made stops in every neighborhood, picking up people and carrying them to register. The bus had a huge sign on it that read, "Citizenship Bus". This was a very exciting and successful effort.

Another Thursday night a caravan was organized. Again a task force was sent into the different communities. This effort was even more successful, whereas cars could stop at every corner and the bus only made one or maybe two stops in a neighborhood. The cars also proved cheaper than the bus.

Never has there been so much activity as far as voter registration is concerned in the city of Tallahassee. The project was well received by the

community and as a result of this effort, 1020 persons were registered in three weeks.

Miami

Miami, the largest city in Florida, is noted throughout the world as a resort area. Many persons come from far and near to enjoy Miami in the winter. A voter registration project was organized in Miami with a steering committee as follows: Mr. Garth C. Reeves, A. Myra Range, Father Theodore Gibson, Mr. Milton Hardrick, director, and Mrs. Julia Ann Fortune, secretary. A budget was set up for Miami totaling $4000.00. This budget was to include the hiring of 52 persons, 50 paid canvassers and a director and secretary. However, the full amount of paid canvassers were never obtained. There was an overflow of volunteers to substitute for the lack of paid workers.

This program was geared for two weeks because the books would be in all of the areas. Deputy registrars were hired (Negroes). The goal was to get 15,000 persons registered in a two-week period. Handbills were distributed and a whole week was devoted to organizing the campaign. Material was sent from the voter registration office in Memphis in abundance. Posters were distributed in Central Miami, which is thickly populated with Negroes. A party was given for the radio announcers; here voter registration spot announcements were given them. Our program was explained in detail to them and their full cooperation was obtained. These announcers immediately went to work blasting voter registration throughout their day and night programs.

Workers were recruited during this week, both volunteer (250) and paid (25). Three meetings were held with these workers, giving instructions, singling out area leaders and assigning areas. The steering committee planned stradegy for the campaign which included a motorcade and a flat bottomed

truck carrying persons singing , with a big voter registration sign. All of this stradegy was put into action. The motorcade had a tremendous effect on the residents in Central Miami; they were running into the streets to see, looking out of windows, buses, etc. The flat bottomed truck was donated by one of the trucking firms of Miami. This was another eye catching project.

There were instances where so many people were flooding the deputy registrar's office that other people had to be called into assist the deputy registrar. The office was established in the Roosevelt Savings and Loan Association. This was in a centrally located area, and there were people flooding the office each day.

The campaign in Miami was fair, but not as good as it could have been. The Urban League decided to get on the bandwagon with a campaign. They hired 10 workers at a rate of $60.00 per week. It is impossible for only ten workers to be effective in Miami; therefore it has been rumored that the Urban League capitalized off NAACP publicity, plus they stood at the door of Deputy stations taking names of persons that NAACP officials had brought to register.

SUMMARY REPORT

Hugh T. Love

Recd 11/22/64

RE: Political Action - FLORIDA 1964

Fort Lauderdale Broward County, Florida

The campaign in Ft. Lauderdale began with great force; nearly 300 new names were added in a three day period. On Monday, August 17th, sad news came from Mrs. Easter Lily Gates, Broward County Registrar. She informed us that the registration books were closed. A Republican candidate for County Commission had withdrawn from the race, and the books would be closed until the vacancy was filled. There was a possiblity that the books would reopen on August 25, just eight days away, if the Republican Party chose to fill the vacancy by unanamously appoihting a man. But if some other person of the party chose to contest the choice of the party, the books would then be closed until September 15th, and this was the case.

Miss Patricia Neely of St. Augustine, Florida, was the campaign director. Miss Neely had previously directed a campaign in St. Augustine and had done a commendable job. From all indications, during the first week of the campaign, Miss Neely was on her way to conducting another successful drive. Miss Mozell Williams was the secretary. Miss Williams was very instrumental in making the first week of the campaign a success. After the closing of the registration books on Aug. 17th, Miss Neely returned to St. Augustine and Miss Williams continued to work on the organizational structure in order to be ready for the reopening of the books.

On Sept. 14th, the books reopened, and with a blast! On the first day over 300 Negroes registered. Progress continued each following day until Oct. 3rd. About 4692 new names were added to the rolls during this campaign.

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Mrs. Mercedes Times took over as director of the campaign during the last two weeks. Along with Mrs. Times, Mr. Donald Hallock and Mrs. Janice Henderson worked unceasingly. Both Mr. Hallock and Mrs. Henderson were white, but they worked as hard as anyone else in the campaign. Sometimes these two people would put in 12 to 15 hours per day. Truly these workers did a magnificent job.

The community as a whole showed very little interest in the campaign, but in spite of this, a marvelous job was done.

Door-to-door canvassing was widely used. Handbills, sound trucks, newspapers and radio spot announcements were used to publicize the campaign. On Saturdays the sound truck would cruise through the streets followed by six or eight cars, which were used to transport the people to the courthouse. This motorcade type operation proved very successful.

The Registrar and all other public officials were very cooperative. They were seemingly aware of the fact that they would need the Negro vote in coming elections to remain in office.

There were two salaried workers in the campaign, the secretary and the director. There was a total of about 48 volunteer workers.

In coming Voter Registration programs in this area, it would be good, if possible, to use this same organizational structure. This team of workers has provided us with the proof of their interest in the cause of voter registration.

Fort Pierce St. Lucie County, Florida

This campaign was one of the most inspirational and spirit-packed campaigns in a town of its size in the state of Florida. The first few days of the campaign was plagued with a feeling that there was little

promise of success in this campaign. But on the fourth day, the "God of First-Class Citizenship" seemingly waved his wand over Ft. Pierce. In a three-day period, nearly 500 persons were registered.

Mrs. Verdell Floyd, a dynamic middle-aged woman, packed with power, was the campaign director. Mrs. Floyd was the wife of the local Junior College President. This gave her a good bit of influence in the community. During the first days of the campaign, Mrs. Floyd and a group of civic-minded citizens went to the Registrar and asked if it were possible to get 3 or 4 Negro Deputy Registrars. The Registrar was a bit hesitant to deputize Negroes, but he finally agreed. He deputized four Negroes and statiched them at the place of their choice. The place of their choice was in a "little shack" on Avenue "D", the "Beale Street" of Ft. Pierce. From 9a.m. to 9 p.m. each day, one of the Deputies was at this little shack which we had rented for an office. From every section of the city the people came to the "little shack" on Avenue "D". By the second week of the campaign, ministers of the Gospel of First-Class Citizenship were all over Ft. Pierce. At the close of the campaign, 1433 new names had been added to the rolls of registration.

Mr. Leroy Bennett, an energetic young man, who was the only Negro on the St. Lucie County Planning Commission, served as chairman. Mr. Bennett was also one of the Deupties. He was very instrumental in making the campaign a success.

The community as a whole was very cooperative. Many people volunteered their services as canvassers and their cars for transportation. The ministers cooperated unusually well. The people of Ft. Pierce seemingly felt the necessity and the essentiality of this campaign.

Handbills, sound trucks, radio spot announcements and publicity material from our office were used to publicize the campaign. Door-to-door canvassing in this campaign, still proved to be the most successful method.

Public officials did not interfere with the efforts, but on the other had they made no special efforts to be overly accommodating. But they were fastly realizing the importance of the ever growing Negro vote.

Ft. Pierce has done a commendable job in this campaign and may I suggest that the same organizational structure be used in coming registration campaigns.

There was a total of approximately 50 volunteer workers. Mrs. Floyd and her secretary were the only salaried personnel in the campaign.

Gainesville Alachua County, Florida

In this city one of the best organized campaigns in the state was conducted. This immaculate organization can be attributed to the understanding between leadership of the majority of all groups, both white and Negro, in Gainesville. When I arrived in Gainesville to organize the campaign, to my surprise, these groups had met and made a format of the mechanics of a voter registration campaign that was very much similar to ours. This was very encouraging. After a brief exchange of ideas with representatives from each group, the campaign got underway.

Mr. Albert Daniels, a local high school teacher, was the director. Mr. Daniels seemingly created the type spirit among his workers that was conducive to the promotion of a successful campaign. Rev. I. A. Wright, local President of the NAACP, was also quite instrumental in making the

campaign a success. Two faculty members of the University of Florida and their wives, Dr. and Mrs. Hahn and Dr. and Mrs. Jones, were quite an inspiration to the campaign. Scores of white students and faculty members from the University worked with the campaign. This campaign at no time suffered from the lack of good workers.

The method of door-to-door canvassing here again proved itself to be one of the best methods. Handbills and materials from our office were used to publicize the campaign.

The community responded relatively well to the program. There was a total of approximately 250 workers in this campaign. No one was paid in the Gainesville campaign.

Public officials were very cooperative during this campaign, especially the Registrar. She kept the books open three nights a week. She also had supplemental registration in outlying areas. On the night of Sept. 21st, between 5 p.m. and 9 p.m., over 200 people were registered and no less than 75 persons were registered on other nights when the books remained open until 9 o'clock. During this campaign over 1540 new names were added to the registration books.

If ever a voter registration campaign is held in Gainesville, this same group should be used, for their work has proven their desire to further the cause of freedom.

Jacksonville Duval County, Florida

The campaign in Jacksonville fell quite short of its goal of 10,000 new registrants by Oct. 3rd. Mr. Herbert Torrence, the campaign director, says that the lack of workers was the reason for the downfall of the campaign. He contends that it is almost impossible to get volunteer workers in the city of Jacksonville. They want pay for this work, says Torrence.

This was one of the campaigns that decided that door-to-door canvassing wasn't the best method. They used the method of comparing a cross-reference directory with a supposedly current registration list. This was a good method, but for a long-term program where time was not the element of importance. Only two weeks remained to work before the closing of the books, Oct. 3rd.

During the week of Sept. 14-19, the Jacksonville branch decided to offer persons $5.00 per day to work in the campaign. This proved successful in getting a good group of workers. But instead of the workers working in the streets the majority of them worked in the office, comparing and compiling the lists from a cross-reference directory and the registration lists. No one was in the streets doing the actual follow-up of these lists. On Saturday, Sept. 19th, I recommended to Mr. Torrence and Mr. Rutledge Pearson, local branch president, that we take all of the workers from the office and let them work in the streets, and they agreed. This was quite successful. During this week the branch paid out too much money in comparison to the progress made.

Handbills and sound trucks were used extensively. Bumper stickers, posters and other materials from our office were also used.

Public officials were not at all happy about this campaign. The whites, during this same period, conducted a massive voter registration campaign. Public officials in Jacksonville live in constant fear of the Negro vote. Presently there are approximately 33,000 registered Negroes and about 43,000 registered whites; this is a margin of only 10,000 registrants. The only threat to Negro voting strength in Jacksonville is annexation. Approximately 2609 new names were added during this campaign.

I feel that there is great potential in the Jacksonville area. The only need is for dedicated workers who have the interests of their people, instead of money, at heart.

In coming campaigns, a slight change in the organizational structure should be made for a better program.

Lake City Columbia County, Florida

The campaign in Lake City lasted only two week. Though Lake City over the last six months, has been a hotbed of action, it showed little or no interest in voter registration. In Lake City, the youth council has taken the leading role in the fight for freedom. These young people are the only ones that will really work, this is with the exception of a few adults. Voter registration, they knew, was important, but most of them were returning to school, plus voter registration campaigns, they figured, just didn't yeild enough excitement.

Mr. David Jenkins, a middle-aged school teacher, was the advisor to the youth council. Mr. Jenkins told his council daily of the importance of voter registration, but Mr. Jenkins also had to return to school, so he had very little time to give to the program. Mrs. Carolyn Aaron, a young housewife, was the director. Mrs. Aaron, a good worker, attributed the downfall of the campaign to a lack of workers. She had only three workers that worked faithfully with the campaign. I think that the time the campaign was started had a decided effect upon its progress. Early summer would seemingly have been the best time to conduct a campaign in this area.

Public officials weren't so happy about this campaign, especially the Registrar. Mr. Jenkins and I went to the office of the Registrar to ask for the books in the Negro community. He readily refused us. When asked why, he replied that he was fearful of what the whites might say or even do to him, if he moved the books to the Negro community. He said if whites requested the books to be moved, then he would move them into the Negro community. We had very little time to work before Oct. 3rd, so we told him that we might file a suit and left him trembling with anger and fear.

In the second week of the campaign, Mr. W. C. Patton decided that progress was too slow in Lake City, so he closed the campaign.

When another campaign is conducted in Lake City, a change of organizational structure might be helpful. But consideration of the time which the campaign will be conducted is of utmost importance.

West Palm Beach Palm Beach, Florida

There is little to be said about this campaign, except that it was a flaming success. This campaign was conducted under most favorable conditions. The Registrar was quite lenient, allowing the Negroes to have 29 Deputy Registrars. These deputies were allowed to register persons in their homes, on street corners or whereever they would meet an unregistered person.

Mrs. Margaret Jones, an energetic young woman, was the campaign director. She is also the secretary of the local branch. Mrs. Jones and her force of nearly 350 did an outstanding job in West Palm Beach; 4306 new names were added to the rolls during this campaign.

Negroes of West Palm Beach are seemingly aware of the importance of voting. They exemplified this when they voted in Negro Attorney F. Malcolm

Cunningham as one of the City Councilmen.

Public officials were seemingly quite cooperative with the program, for as in most areas today, public officials are realizing the importance of the Negro vote.

Door-to-door canvassing was used extensively, but a new method was introduced here - door-to-door registration. This method proved to be very fruitful. Handbills, news articles, radio spot announcements, and publicity materials from our office were used to publicize the campaign.

In future campaigns, I think it is evident that we should use the same organizational structure. The 4306 new registrants are evidence of their hard and dedicated work.

NARRATIVE REPORT

Orlando, Florida

RE: Voter Education Project 1964

Orange County, as recorded in the 1960 report of the Chamber of Commerce, encompasses: Apopka, pop. 3,478; Orlando, pop. 88,135; Taft, pop. 1,214; Winter Park, pop. 17, 162; Ocoee, pop. 2,628; Winter Garden, pop. 5,513; Maitland, pop. 3,570; Bell Isle, pop. 2,344; Eatonville, pop. 857; Okland, pop. 821; Windermere, pop. 576; Edgewood, pop. 436; Bithlo, pop. 168.

It is recorded in the 1960 report by the Orlando Negro Chamber of Commerce that whites number 224,105 and non-whites number 39,430 in Orange County's population. All reports since 1960 are estimates.

This voter registration program was, for the most part, directed from Orlando with an effort to include all of Orange County.

In the registration year, November 9, 1962 to October 5, 1963, 96,198 names were noted on the county registrar's books. Of these names, 7,735 were Negroes. In this registration year, November 1963 to October 3, 1964, 118,645 names appeared on the county registrar's books. Of these registrants, 11,169 are Negroes. We cite 3,120 of these Negroes as being new registrants under our program.

At the time of this registration program, Orange County had integrated grades 1, 2, and 7 of its public schools. In the next three years all grades of Orange County's public schools will be integrated. We expect that the end of this three-year term will se our Negro graduating students more competent to qualify for better colleges and jobs.

Negro housing conditions are also in a probable state of change because Urban Renewal is pending on the November 3rd elections in Orlando.

Employment conditions at this time are being favorably influenced by training programs, set up to implement Negro school education, by several organizations made up of interested and qualified citizens and businessmen, also the M.D.T.A. (Manpower Development and Training Act) program sponsored by the Federal Government.

Whereas we cannot (unless you so desire and request) grant you the exact number of Negroes filling specified positions of civil service and public employment, we can say that we have Negro postmen, policemen, civil service workers, etc., although they are, at this time, small in number.

At the time of this voter registration drive, there were no Negroes running for public office. However, since this Nov. 3rd election will include the vital decision of President of the United States, this was a prodigious factor in the voter registration drive.

Because the NAACP here is not troubled by any other Negro organization, there was no organizational friction or jealousy. No private citizens offered any impediment or hindrance to our efforts.

The drive was conducted by the NAACP of Orange County. A special committee is set aside for Voter Registration-Education service in which the officers may change from one drive to another. This committee has a chairman, co-ordinator, precinct captains, persons in charge of publicity, car pools, speakers for meetings, scheduling of program activities for mass meetings. Decisions for the endeavors of this committee are from the offices of the director, co-ordinator and chairman, and reviewed by the executive body of the NAACP.

Chairman: Mrs. J. Cox, pass chairman Mr. Woolfork, present chairman	This office, while important, can stand changes in officers without detriment to committee.
Director-Co-ordinator: Mrs. M. Richardson	This office has a vital function that requires stability in occupancy. Mrs. Mable Richardson has occupied this office since its beginning.
Precinct captains:	Mrs. Jewell James, Mrs. Mattie Morrison and Rev. Allan Scott have done a noteworthy job in these positions for every drive.
Telephone:	Mrs. Selina Brooks has done a noteworthy job as captain of this committee for every drive.
Car Pool:	Mr. Leroy Richardson has occupied the position as captain of this committee for every drive.

All of our workers have done an outstanding job in their positions. Space does not allow us to list all of their jobs and credits. However, we would like to cite Mrs. J. Mark Cox, Mrs. Mable Richardson and Rev. Allen Scott, as being devoted and valuable workers.

The Registration Program

1. Publicity

a. Letters were sent to 36 social and/or civic clubs for reasons of publicity, information and solicitation of help.

b. Use of Churches

1. Ministers were contacted by mail and requested to read announcements on registration mass meetings, and urge parishioners to register and vote.

2. Individual contacts were made to solicit participation in "drive" from ministers.

3. Speakers were sent, with consent of ministers, to all Orange County churches to speak of registration.

c. Advertisement and Articles in Newspapers

1. No funds were spent to buy space in the newspaper.

2. Letter was sent to public service department of newspaper, informing the citizens of special office hours and urging them to register and vote.

3. Community interest did not stimulate press to seek information.

d. Radio and Television Time

1. Letters were sent to radio and public service departments, urging citizens to register and informing them of special office hours and special locations of registration books in outlying areas. These announcements, by special requests, were read with frequency every day.

2. WFTV in Orlando gave generous coverage to our "Kick-Off" meeting in August. Films were shown, on the late news, in which our guest speaker was shown addressing the crowd. The television news commentator quoted from the text of the guest speaker. Included in that news item was the clear stated purpose of the registration "Kick-Off" and its intended goals.

3. WFTV further covered the mass registrations we arranged at the registrar's office after the drive was underway.

e. Posters, Handbills, Tags, etc.

1. Car stickers, like the ones enclosed, were generously distributed.

2. Posters to the same effect were used. Also posters of all variations were erected whereever possible.

3. Handbills informing citizens of meetings during progress of drive were distributed.

2. Methods and Techniques of Conducting Drive

a.

1. Mass meeting held for "Kick-Off" August 30, 1964, 5:00 p.m. at South St. Casino. No programs were used. Guest speaker was selected for his public image, popularity, availability, knowledge of political facts and racial attitude.

Numerous other meetings were held that required less preparation and could be classified as clinics or workshops. These meetings were primarily conducted to instruct and recruit workers and would not fall in the "mass meeting" catagory. Members of our voter registration staff were used as speakers for these meetings.

At all meetings, appeals were made for volunteer work.

b.

1. The organizations mentioned in 1-A, did not participate as an organization. In 1-B, the ministers assisted by allowing speakers to address their congregations during church programs. Some ministers agreed and did head up registration units in their communities.

c. Maintenance of Office With Full or Part-Time Staff

1. One paid secretary
2. Mrs. Mable Richardson volunteered all needed services.

d. Door-to-Door Canvassing

1. Areas were divided into precincts. Precinct captains were responsible for covering their entire precinct.

2. The precinct captains were premitted to organize canvassing in methods proven to be more expedient and feasible for their area.

3. Canvassing was designed to enlist prospective registrants, provide baby sitters and transportation. Plus, an informed member of the registration program accompanied registrants to the registrar's office to be on hand if needed, and explain voting machine that was on display there.

4. Canvassers were volunteers from all walks of life.

5. Registrants or potential registrants were informed of voter registration meetings, time and place. And registrants were invited to phone the NAACP office if they had any questions.

6. Canvassers received instructions concerning their method and approach while soliciting prospective registrants.

7. "Special" or unexpected problems are within themselves unique and no preconceived solution could be made to apply to all of them. All problems were handled as befitting the dignity of the NAACP.

e. Parades or Demonstrations or Similar Activities to Stimulate Interest

1. A task force was formed to demonstrate in conspicuous areas to attract attention for the "drive".

2. The task force was made up of Orange County youths.

3. The Registration Process

a. The attitude of the personnel in the registrar's office was official.

b. The registrar's office was open on Saturdays, and open late two nights a week to act in accordance with the success of our drive.

c. Because of special office hours there was no neighborhood registration.

d. There were no literacy tests given in the registrar's office or any place else. There were no visible signs of discrimination and no complaints of that nature were made by registrants.

e. There were no opposition of any nature, personal, organizational or otherwise.

f. There was on hand, in the registrar's office, at all times registrants were delivered, assistance from a voter registration worker.

g. Transportation was offered and provided when and wherever requested.

h. There were no tests of any kind.

i. As mentioned in the reports of "Publicity" C-1,2,3, and D-1,2,3, all public news media, white and Negro, were contacted and did provide public attention.

4. An Attempt Should be Made to Describe the Attitude of Public Officials Toward the Drive

Inasmuch as we can determine, the attitude of public officials was esoteric and could not be decided without scrutiny on our part. We have found the county registrar to be most co-operative in this area, and no other public officials appeared to be overly enthusiastic or distrubed because of the drive.

5. What Were the Results of the Drive

a. There were 3,120 persons registered at the end of drive.

b. Newspaper clipping should answer this question.

c. There were 156 persons involved in volunteer work.

d. There was one paid personnel.

e. We shall have an official termination meeting in November at which time workers will receive a certificate for recognition of their work.

6. We credit our organization and performance of our workers as being most satisfactory. We do not at this time find a need for change in our mode of operation. However, we shall stay alert to any significant changes in the community that would suggest a need for change in our approach.

Note: Data gathered for this report by Program Director, Mrs. John Twitty, with help of Mrs. Mable Richardson

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RE: Political Action Hugh T. Love

Ft. Pierce, St. Lucie County, Florida, another of the southern Florida cities. Specializing mainly in citrus fruit marketing and farm products such as tomatoes and beans, Ft. Pierce has grown to be quite an interesting city. Like most cities in the state of Florida, it has a comparable amount of tourist trade. Ft. Pierce has a population of about 35,000 people, of which about 12,000 or 13,000 are Negroes.

Farming and citrus fruit growing are the two main sources of income for Negroes of the Ft. Pierce area. The average Negro daily income in Ft. Pierce is about $6.00 to $8.00.

No Negroes hold any elective or appointive offices. One young Negro was recently hired to the city planning commission as a draftsman. No other position in the higher echelons of public employment are held by Negroes.

Presently no Negroes are attending previously all-white schools, although the school system is desegregated on the elementary level. There are two junior colleges in the area, Indian River Jr. College, which was previously all-white, and Lincoln Jr. College for Negroes. Few Negroes attend Indian River and few attend Lincoln. The facilities at Indian River greatly surpass those at Lincoln, but Negro youths are seemingly not interested.

Negro housing in the area can be rated as fair. Many Negroes own $10,000 to $15,000 homes in Ft. Pierce, but one major problem that confronts them is the muddy unpaved streets on which they live. Emphasis was placed on this fact when we talked about the importance of being a registered voter.

Presently there are about 2,300 registered Negro voters in Ft. Pierce. Mrs. Verdell Floyd, the campaign director has said that she and her

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workers will do their best to put and additional 1,000 new registrants on the books by the last of Sept. Mr. Leroy Bennett is chairman and Miss Dorothy Cliffin is secretary.

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RE: Political Action Hugh T. Love

Pompano Beach, Broward County, Florida, a southern Florida coastal City. It has a population of 35,000 or 40,000 people, of which 10,000 are Negroes. Pompano Beach, like most southern Florida cities, is noted for its tourist attractions. It has the largest tourist trade of any city its size in the state.

The city of Pompano has very little industry. Most Negroes work in the fields gathering beans, peppers, tomatoes and other crops. Also a large segment of Pompano Negroes are employed on the docks of Port Everglades in Ft. Lauderdale, which is about eight miles away. The remaining portion of Pompano Negroes are employed domestically or in hotels and motels.

Public employment for Negores of Pompano is very poor. Negroes hold no positions in the higher echelons of public employment. Negroes are only hired in the areas of law-enforcement, sanitation, and manual street labor. No Negroes hold any positions elective or appointive.

Public education in Pompano can be rated as fair at present. No Negroes attend any previously all-white schools, but the school system is desegregated in the elementary department.

Negro housing in the area for migrant workers is poor, but housing for stationary residence is comparatively good.

Voter registration in the Pompano Beach area seems to have great potentials. A further report will be made on the organization and progress in this area. Presently, we are not fully organized.

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RE: Political Action Hugh T. Love

Fort Lauderdale, Broward County, Florida

The campaign in Ft. Lauderdale has to this point been quite successful. Almost 200 new registrants have been added to the rolls.

On Monday, August 17, a wave of sadness hit the workers in the Ft. Lauderdale campaign as it was revealed by the registrar, Mrs. Easter Lilly Gates, that the books were closed. Don Oye, a Republican candidate for the County Commission had withdrawn from the race. This created a vacancy that had to be filled by August 25th. If the republicans would decide to just appoint someone to fill the vacancy the books would reopen at noon on the above date (Aug. 25th), but if two candidates enter the race, there would then be a need for a primary which would keep the books closed until September 14th. If three candidates enter and two of the three get a majority vote, there would be a need for a run-off which would keep the books closed until the 28th of September.

Whether this was a keen political move by the party, no one knows. We are all in hopes that the books will reopen on August 25th.

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RE: Political Action Hugh T. Love

Ft. Lauderdale, Broward County, Florida, a southern Florida costal city. It is located about 23 miles north of Miami. It is said that Ft. Lauderdale is the fastest growing city in the state of Florida. It has a population of about 115,000 people, of which 35,000 are Negroes.

Up to this point, there have been very few faithful efforts on the part of Negroes or other groups to see that Negroes are employed in some of the city's whiteCollar jobs. There are instances of Negroes working as cashiers in one or two chain grocery stores, and salesmen in the larger department stores on a very token basis. There was an effort to secure jobs as tellers in several banks and in Southern Bell Telephone Company, but once the positions were secured there were no persons who were felt adequately qualified.

The greatest number of Negroes are employed as hotel workers, particularly during the winter months because of the tourist trade which is the main support of the area. A sizable number of Negroes are employed as longshoremen on Port Everglades which is one of the largest ports in the state.

Presently there are no Negroes holding any elective or appointive position. There have been Negroes who have run in elections, but only twice have Negro candidates gone beyond the primary.

Public education in Ft. Lauderdale is good. The public school system is fully desegregated. About 200 Negro students are attending previously all-white schools. In some cases, Negroes are participating in all athletics and extra curricular activies. One Negro youth was valedictorian of a class of 600 whites in 1962.

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Housing in the area is fair. Because of the limited urban renewal program, several groups of houses have been condemned and completely destroyed. There is opposition or apathy toward urban renewal. There is apathy on the part of Negroes because of the lack of understanding. There was one case of a Negro who was turned down by a white FHA financed housing development. There are three Negro housing projects which are federally financed and municapally controlled.

There are approximately 7,000 registered Negroes in Ft. Lauderdale. The campaign is under the direction of Miss Patricia Neely, an energetic young freedom fighter who hails form the city of St. Augustine, Florida. The local people are seemingly ready to work. From all indications, Ft. Lauderdale is going to have a very successful campaign.

Gainesville, Fla., Registration Figures

1960 Alachua Co. Total Population	74,074		
1960 Alachua Co. Negro Population	19,512	--	26.34% of total
1960 Gainesville Total Population	29,701		
1960 Gainesville Negro Population	6,874	--	23.14% of total

1960 % of Alachua Co. Negro Population 21 and over: $\frac{9,750}{19,512}$ 49.86%

1960 % of Gainesville Negro Population 21 and over $\frac{3,746}{6,874}$ 54.58%

1964 Estimated Alachua Co. Negro Population 23,000
1964 Estimated Alachua Co. Negro Population 21 and over 11,400

Oct., 1964 Registered Negroes in Alachua Co. 6,380
Oct., 1964 Estimated Unregistered Negroes 21 and over in Ala. Co. 5,020
Oct., 1964 Estimated Eligible but Unregistered Negroes in Ala. Co. 4,300

Increase in Registered Voters May to Oct, 1964

May, 1964 % Negro of Registered Voters $\frac{4,400}{26,257}$ 16.76%

Oct., 1964 % Negro of Registered Voters $\frac{6,380}{32,816}$ 18.44%

May to Oct. % Increase of All Registered Voters $\frac{26,257}{32,816}$ 24.95%

May to Oct. % Increase of White Voters 20.88%

May to Oct. % Increase of Negro Voters $\frac{1,980}{4,400}$ 45.00%

Estimated Registration Level Jan., May, Oct.

Jan., 1964 % Registered of Negroes Eligible Alachua Co. $\frac{3,200}{10,480}$ 31%

May, 1964 % Registered of Negroes Eligible Alachua Co. $\frac{4,400}{10,580}$ 42%

Oct.,1964 % Registered of Negroes Eligible Ala. Co. $\frac{6,380}{10,680}$ 60%

Oct., 1964 % Registered of Whites Eligible Ala. Co. $\frac{26,405}{36,036}$ 73%

May, 1964 Approximate Ratio of White to Negro Registered Voters 5:1
Oct. 1964 Approximate Ratio of White to Negro Registered Voters 4:1

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REPORT ON THE VOTER REGISTRATION PROJECT

LEON COUNTY, FLORIDA

BACKGROUND

Leon County is situated in Northwest Florida and is the site of the State Government. The principal city in the county is Tallahassee and the bulk of the population resides within the city limits. The population is listed at 74,225; 24,282 Negroes and 49,943 whites. The voting population is estimated at 1500 Negroes and 45,000 whites. Registered voters number 32,191; 7,381 Negroes and 24,800 whites.

The location of two state universities, Florida A and M University and Florida State University, indicates a fairly high educational attainment status, but the lack of industry in the area provides only an average income. This lack of industry makes employment opportunities somewhat small, leaving domestic work as the chief employment outlet for Negroes. Negroes hold no public or party positions, elective or appointive, in the County.

We do not feel that local elections were of such a nature that the campaign was influenced by them.

This campaign was another effort on the part of our organization to register 90% of the eligible voters in the area. The organization fermented about two years ago and embraces all of the organizations, in the County, which are concerned with voter registration. We have encountered no major difficulties in the development of our campaign and all of our workers in the campaign were in harmony with what we attempted to accomplish.

ORGANIZATION

Leon County is divided into fifteen precincts. Negroes reside in all but one rural precinct. Each of the fourteen precincts is headed by a

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precinct leader. The precincts are divided into several areas and each area is headed by an area captain. Within each area are a number of area workers. The number of workers for an area is determined by the concentration of people in the area.

Overall coordination of campaign activities is placed in the hands of a CO-Ordinator. Executive decisions rest with an Executive Committee which is made up of the Coordinator, Secretary, Chairman of transportation, Chairman of Publicity and Precinct leaders.

REGISTRATION PROGRAM

PUBLICITY

Publicity for the campaign rests with a chairman of publicity and results are very good. Since many of the local organizations are a part of our basic organization, we do not have difficulty of inroad into their memberships. We use periodic mailings to the membership of our basic organization and announcements in meetings of most of the local organizations. We distribute mimeographed and printed materials on a house to house basis and in congested shopping areas. We post signs and use workers to carry signs (usually done by youth workers.)

Since the ministerial alliance is a part of our basic organization, we get excellent cooperation from this group. They permit announcements in their churches whenever we desire, and they participate in our Citizenship Sunday program by delivering sermons on Citizenship.

Occasional news releases were granted by the local newspaper. At least one of the registration activities created enough interest to have news coverage. This was our "Citizenship Bus" activity.

Radio stations did grant public service time. Announcements went out over the air about once every tow hours for about three days.

In the publicity effort we used posters, hand bills and tags prepared by the NAACP and handbills and pass-out slips prepared by our workers.

METHOD AND TECHNIQUE OF CONDUCTING DRIVE

The first step was to call a meeting of all organizations and persons interested in voter registration. At this meeting persons were selected to serve as precinct leaders and area captains. With all of the people from the same precinct working together in small groups, this was accomplished. The groups also identified additional workers in the area.

Periodical meets of the entire group were held. Meetings were held at intervals in the several precincts. In most instances local workers gave the "pep talk" which was usually employed to get meetings underway.

Throughout the campaign we maintained an office with one full-time person employed; however, most of the work wad done by volunteer workers.

In our door-to-door canvass, we used workers in the immediate area where they lived. The precinct was the large work area. These boundaries were established by local ordinances. The precincts were divided into a number of areas depending on the number of people living in the area.

The canvassing was designed to enlist prospective registrants, provide transportation, and baby sit when a person went to register.

The canvassers were from every walk of life in the community and their services were given free. They were given a brief orientation prior to entering into their work. These canvassers met periodically, either in area groups, precinct groups, or as a county-wide group to discuss the problems which had been encountered.

The registration process is of such a nature that registrants did not have any difficulty getting registered. As a matter of fact, the atmosphere in the Registration Office is of such a nature that it was a real pleasure to work with the personnel. They were very helpful to the persons who came to register. Generally, the attitude of public officials favored the campaign. They did nothing to hinder its progress.

We term the campaign a success. The official increase for our group is 1,038. At the start of our drive we had 6,154 Democrats and 189 Republicans; at the close of our drive we had 7,130 Democrats and 251 Republicans.

With our volunteer workers at liberty to secure the services of other volunteer workers, it is difficult to assess the total work force but we estimate that about 150 persons took part in the door-to-door canvass.

SUMMARY

Our organization is a continuing type of organization and we will initiate another drive sometime during the winter. Our primary goal is to register at least 90% of the eligible voters in this county.

At this point we do not plan to alter our organization or our method of operation at the present. However, we will hold an evaluation meeting next week to decide what can be done to improve our effort.

Presently, we are planning a "get-out-the-vote" drive for the coming election.

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June 3, 1964

Mr. Wiley Branton, Director
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Wiley:

We hope you will consider the enclosed requests from two of our Alabama affiliates.

Our staff in Montgomery has worked with the Montgomery Improvement Association Registration Committee and they feel that this is a good time to get things moving. They will give staff assistance to the drive, but will not be on payroll. The registration period will be over by the time we start any direct action there.

The Tuscaloosa request may seem out of proportion to the size of the community, but Rev. T. Y Rodgers has done an excellent job of organizing a program there. Tuscaloosa has held workshops in Citizenship Training, and Non-violent workshops, with a great deal of success, so they should have enough trained leaders to do a significant job. Also, you will remember their action movement of a few months back which did a great deal to stimulate community interest.

Sincerely yours,

Andrew J. Young

Andrew J. Young
Program Director

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Montgomery, Ala

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR TWO WEEK PERIOD

Three (3) coordinators @ $15.00 per week	$90.00
Secretarial work @ $25.00 per week	50.00
Youth training session	50.00
Material (paper, ink, maps, stencils, etc.)	100.00
Transportation (gasoline, etc.)	50.00
Court House workers	20.00
Director of Drive for two week period	40.00
Total	$400.00

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Executive Secretary

May 27, 1964

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Andrew J. Young
334 Auburn Avenue N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Young:

The Tuscaloosa Citizens for Action Committee is attempting to register all Negroes in our metropolitan area in order that they may vote. We find this to be a tremendous task and must ask for assistance from the Voter Education Program.

We present the following statistics for the metropolitan area:

population	84,500, 30% Negro - 70% white
Negro population	28,000
registered	4,500
eligible	22,400
we need to reach	17,900

The metropolitan area includes Tuscaloosa, Northport, Holt, and Cottondale.

Our needs are as follows:

20 registration workers	$ 1200.00
1 office coordinator	400.00
1 organizer	250.00
1 secretary	400.00
TOTAL	$ 2250.00

TIME: 60 day drive.

We already have our registration workers and are presently conducting schools in six churches and two local area homes. Our community is ready to cooperate in this effort and we are sure that we can be successful if a grant is made to us. Of the above ammount we feel that we can raise$300.00.

Sincerely,

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Mr. Wiley A. Branton, Director
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton:

For some time we have been hoping to have city wide drives in several Alabama cities, but the apathy and oppression at the registrars' office have been barriers that have seldom been overcome. Now two cities have developed the spirit and concern as well as the leadership necessary to attempt this job.

Tuscaloosa has recently suffered in an abortive direct action attempt. We really advised them against it from our office, but the local leadership felt that the injustices were so blatant that some step should be made in protest. They made their attempt, but soon realized that they were not ready for a wholesale action program. Now they would like to capatilize on the interest, and resentment of the Negro community and channel it into Voter Registration. I think that they will not be engaged in further action until much later in the summer, and even this is questionable.

May I suggest that you make a grant to Tuscaloosa by the month, beginning as of June 15th to July 15th. In the event that action seems necessary you might withhold the grant for the time which action is underway, with the understanding that it be renewed at the completion of whatever demonstrations take place.

The same might be said for Montgomery, Alabama. We have several staff members there and they have stirred quite a bit of interest in voting and registration by interpreting the Negroes plight in political terms. We are preparing for action there also, but St. Augustine has held up our schedule. We would like for our entire staff to work with the Montgomery Improvement Association in Voter Registration

Tuscaloosa has submitted a budget. Montgomery has worked well with a budget of $500 per month.

I hope that these programs can be considered favorably by VEP.

Sincerely yours,

Andrew Young /ES

Andrew J. Young
Program Director

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Dictated by Mr. Young but signed in his absence.

June 19, 1964

M E M O R A N D U M

To: Wiley A. Branton

From: Barbara I. Whitaker

Re: Telephone Conversation with Dr. T. Y. Rogers, Jr.

Dr. T. Y. Rogers, Jr., Executive Secretary, Tuscaloosa Citizens for Action Committee, was contacted on this date. Dr. Rogers indicated that there was a biracial negotiating committee currently engaged in trying to solve the problems which precipitated the demonstrations. He felt that they would be successful and stated that demonstrations had been halted. He stated that the suit requesting an injunction to restrain city officials from interfering with demonstrations is scheduled to be heard next week. He felt that whether the injunction was granted or not, demonstrations were definitely not a part of the plans for the moment. He strongly indicated that in the event demonstrations are resumed, he definitely would not be a participant. He indicated that he will be in charge of the voter registration campaign, and recognized the need to keep the two activities, direct action and voter registration, separate and distinct. He expressed the feeling that the problems in Tuscaloosa had to be attacked from varied angles, and felt the demonstrations had served both to dramatize their plight and to motivate Negro citizens. His plan is to capitalize on the interest created during the direct action and use it in the voter registration campaign.

Regarding the effect of the recent demonstrations, Dr. Rogers felt they would have not adverse effect on the attitude of the Board of Registrars. He went on to say that during April when few people applied, they had no difficulty. In May, when Negroes stood in long lines waiting to be registered, various slowing tactics were employed by the registrars. The office was sometimes closed early and the voucher system was rigidly enforced. It was his feeling that the number of Negroes who apply for registration influences the Board more than any other factor.

I neglected to ask Dr. Rogers to send you a letter, per your request, confirming the information contained in this memo. However, I was impressed by the deliberate and seemingly sincere manner in which he expressed himself. He appreciates the concern about his being involved in direct action while conducting a voter registration campaign.

B.I.W.

Barbara I. Whitaker
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JUN 16 1964

T. Y. ROGERS, JR.
Executive Secretary

Residence: 752-2470

Mr. Wiley A. Branton
Voter Education Project
Room 206/ 5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta 3, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Branton:

Your letter of June 5, 1964 is at hand. We submit the following replies to your inquiries:

We would like to begin our program on June 22, 1964. The Books will be open on July 6-10, August 3-7, September 14-18, 1964. During this period, with V.E.P. help, we should be able to register 2,500 people easily.

Very truly your,

T. Y. Rogers, Jr.

T. Y. Rogers, Jr.

June 30, 1964

The Rev. Andrew J. Young
SCLC
334 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

RE: VEP 4-27

Dear Andy:

I have been trying to reach you by telephone for more than a week, but without success. Following receipt of your letter of June 3 with reference to a possible program in Tuscaloosa, Alabama, we decided to study the situation to determine if demonstrations were likely to continue, as we did not want to be in the position of attempting to run a registration program while demonstrations were going on. On June 19, Barbara Whitaker talked by telephone with Mr. T. Y. Rogers, Jr., who assured her that demonstrations would not be conducted during the drive. I had wanted to talk with you about Tuscaloosa, but we are now pushed with fact that the books will be open a few days next week, and we must act at once if anything is to be done during the month of July.

I regard the proposed budget of $2,250 as being extremely high for Tuscaloosa, unless they are going to be able to get a sizable number of persons registered. We therefore have decided to make a preliminary grant to SCLC in the amount of $1,000 in support of VEP work through the Tuscaloosa Citizens for Action Committee, and we are enclosing a check to cover the $1,000.

I know that Edwina Smith is in the hospital at the moment, but I assume someone in your office will arrange to get some money over to Mr. Rogers immediately.

You should have some funds on hand from the North Carolina grant which were not used, and you are hereby authorized to

transfer any such funds to your Montgomery, Alabama, program.

As soon as you can find the time to get with me concerning these and other programs, then we can work out a more definite arrangement.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:jm

Encl: 1

cc: Mr. T. Y. Rogers, Jr.

rec'd. 10/2/64

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September 29, 1964

Mrs. Jane Bond Moore
Voter Education Project
Room 206
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Moore:

We did not receive a letter from Mrs. Whitaker concerning where our monthly reports should be sent. However, we did receive information, including reporting forms, from Mrs. Edwina Smith at S.C.L.C. We have sent the past two monthly reports to her office. Possibly, she will forward them to you, if not, we will be glad to send duplicate reports to you.

Yours truly,

T. Y. Rogers, Jr./m

(Rev.) T.Y. Rogers, Jr.

TYR/mlw

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September 23, 1964

Dr. T. Y. Rogers, Jr.
Tuscaloosa Citizens for Action
Committee
2621 9th Street
Tuscaloosa, Alabama

RE: VEP 4-27

Dear Dr. Rogers:

Although Mrs. Whitaker wrote you about our reporting requirements, we have received no reports from you. We would appreciate receiving the two delinquent monthly reports.

If there is some question that is bothering you, please don't hesitate to ask this office for help.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Jane Bond Moore
Research Assistant

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NOV 9 1964

MR. WILEY A. BRANTON
PROJECT DIRECTOR
VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT
ROOM 206
5 FORSYTH STREET
ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

DEAR MR. BRANTON:

ENCLOSED IS A PORTION OF THE INFORMATION THAT WAS REQUESTED IN YOUR LETTER OF OCTOBER 29, 1964. THE BALANCE OF THE INFORMATION REQUESTED BY YOU WILL BE SENT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION, WE SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING ACCOUNT OF EXPENSES FOR OUR 'GET OUT TO VOTE' CAMPAIGN:

GAS	$180.00
ANNOUNCEMENTS, LEAFLETS, ETC.	30.00

YOURS TRULY,

(REV.) T. Y. ROGERS, JR.

TYR/MLW

4-27

July 13, 1964

Dr. T. Y. Rogers, Jr.
Tuscaloosa Citizens for Action
Committee
2621 9th Street
Tuscaloosa, Alabama

RE: VEP 4-27

Dear Dr. Rogers:

We are sending, under separate cover, a supply of research reporting forms. We request that you submit a report no later than the 10th of each month, commencing on August 10. We believe the items on the forms to be self-explanatory, but feel free to question or make comments.

At the conclusion of your project, we will expect a comprehensive narrative report. The outline for this report is enclosed.

Let us know if we can be of assistance to you.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Barbara I. Whitaker
Research Assistant

BIW:js

Rec'd 8/8/64 WB/ Acc'd JAW JW

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: MIA Voter Education Project

Period covered by this report: From June 22 to July 7, 1964 Also 3rd Mon July 20.

Person reporting Mrs. Idessa Williams

1010 Bragg Street Montgomery Montgomery Alabama

Street Address City County State

Date submitted: August 6 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Montgomery County. Consisting of twenty-three Precincts

Ward, Beat, etc. Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 1000

Number instructed at home 1000

Number instructed at clinics 25

Number instructed other places 500 a. Specify places

Churches, after regular Sunday morning services

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 401

Number successfully registered by this project this week 391

Number denied registration in this project this week 24

a. Reason for denial Registrars would not accept anyone after 4 P. M. although offices closed at 4:30 P. M.

Number contacted by other means Unknown

a. Specify means Radio

Number refusing to participate Indifinite

a. Reason for refusing to participate Various

Number of persons successfully registered since the start of 100 contacted, 76 had been certified; 7 had not heard; 23 rejected. Contacting is still in progress.

Number of workers in the campaign 8 captains; 15 supervisors, 100 Block workers

Remarks A tenday Voter registration period began on August 3 rd and will continue through August 17th. FUNDS ARE NEEDED.

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Rec'd 9/17/64 WS- JMc JS Recorded

VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT REPORT

Name of Project: MIA VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT

Period covered by this report: From August 3 to August 18, 1964

Person reporting Mrs. Idessa Williams

1010 Bragg Street	Montgomery	Montgomery	Alabama
Street Address	City	County	State

Date submitted: August 20, 1964

Election District, County, Parish or Community to which this report applies: Twenty - three Precincts

Montgomery County	Second Congressional District
Ward, Beat, etc.	Precinct, election district, etc.

Number contacted by door-to-door canvass 5,000 Plus

Number instructed at home 2,000

Number instructed at clinics At homes

Number instructed other places 500 a. Specify places

At 18 churches

Number applying for registration as a result of this program this week 255

Number successfully registered by this project this week To date
some few have called in.. but check-back is still in progress

Number denied registration in this project this week Not completed

a. Reason for denial

Number contacted by other means 55 from previous period

a. Specify means Instructed them to reapply.

Number refusing to participate 25 or 30

a. Reason for refusing to participate illiteracy, lack of interest but they are still being urged to participate

Number of persons successfully registered since the start

104 received certificates; 69 no telephones; 16 have not heard; 8 wrong address; 6 rural ~~1 out of town; 17 did not get into registrars office.~~

Number of workers in the campaign 1 Director; 3 Coordinators; 10 supervisors 75 Block-workers.

Remarks ~~Final report will be made for August Drive as soon as contact has been finished~~ Planning Citizenship Schools in several communities. Proper contact will be made.

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TUSCALOOSA CITIZENS FOR ACTION COMMITTEE

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MRS. EDWINA SMITH
S.C.L.C.
334 ALBURN AVENUE, N.E.
ALTANTA, GEORGIA 30303

DEAR EDWINA:

ENCLOSED IS A COMPLETED REPORT FORM OF OUR VOTER REGISTRATION WORK THROUGH AUGUST 31, 1964. IF WE ARE SUCCESSFUL WE SHALL HAVE REGISTERED 1,000 PERSONS BY SEPTEMBER 18, THE END OF THE LAST REGISTRATION IN THIS PERIOD.

WILL FORWARD EXPENSE VOUCHERS UNDER SEPERATE COVER.

SINCERELY YOURS,

T. Y. Rogers, Jr./wm.l.

(REV.) T. Y. ROGERS

Recorded JM WB

OCT 9 1964

City Tuscaloosa

County Tuscaloosa

Dates 7-1-64 to 8-31-64

VOTER REGISTRATION
Progress Report

Stastical Summary:

No. persons registered	550	No. Volunteer Workers	24
No. persons applying	4,000	No. Paid Workers	10
No. persons contacted	1,500	No Working hours per week	90
Total attendance at V.R. meetings	4,040		

Description of Voter Registration Program:

Plan of Organization: Director, Coordinator, Transportation Director, 16 schools

Methods Used to Contact people to Register:

1. Door to Door Canvass
2. Flyers, posters, radio, newspaper
3. Announcements in Churches

Discussion of Problems faced: (leadership, obstacles at Registrar's office etc.)

1. Slow process used by Registrars
2. Closing Office before stated time.
3. Maintaining interest

Plans for Dealing with Problems:

1. Teach registrants well
2. Report to Civil Rights Commission
3. Maintain publicity

New Insights in Voter Registration (Methods, Motivation, Slogans Gimmicks etc.)

Sponsoring Organization Tuscaloosa Citizens for Action Committee

Contact person T. Y. ROGERS, JR.

Address 2621 Ninth Street Phone 758-2833

Submitted by: T.Y. Rogers, Jr.

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SOUTHERN
CHRISTIAN
LEADERSHIP
CONFERENCE

VOTER REGISTRATION

Progress Report

CITY TUSCALOOSA

COUNTY TUSCALOOSA STATE ALABAMA

DATES 6/1/64 TO 9/30/64

OCT 14 1964

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Received

Stastical Summary;

No. persons registered 843

No. persons applying 1800

No. persons contacted 3,000

Total attendance at V.R. meetings 5,000

No. Volunteer Workers 24

No. Paid Workers 10

No. Working hours per week 90

Description of Voter Registration Program:

Plan of Organization: DIRECTOR, COORDINATOR, TRANSPORTATION DIRECTOR AND SIXTEEN SCHOOLS

Methods Used to Contact people to Register:

1. DOOR TO DOOR CANVASS
2. FLYERS, POSTERS, RADIO AND NEWSPAPER
3. ANNOUNCEMENTS IN CHURCHES

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VOTER REGISTRATION

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2. REPORT TO CIVIL RIGHTS COMMISSION
3. MAINTAIN PUBLICITY

New Insights in Voter Registration: (Methods, Motivation, Slogans Gimmicks etc.)

Sponsoring Organization TUSCALOOSA CITIZENS FOR ACTION COMMITTEE Contact person T. Y. ROGERS, JR.

ADRESS 2621 NINTH STREET PHONE 758-2833

Submitted by: T.Y. ROGERS, JR.

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Recd 6/5/64

PREAMBLE

EDUCATION PROGRAM

ALL-CITIZENS REGISTRATION COMMITTEE

Here, in Atlanta, Georgia, was found to be about 15,000 Negroes who needed to be exposed to knowledge of ballot or voting machines, the procedures and the duties of public officials who are elected to serve their various communities. These people are located all over the city of Atlanta in various sections of their communities. For example; one day while walking down the street, I observed a neighbor of mine who stated, " I am glad you all brought that Registration over to the school; now I can vote for the President". I replied that there are some other public officials who will need votes this year. He replied, " I did not know about them". Immediately I thought about the various observations that were made by myself and other Deputy Registrars during the registration drive.

Some people thought that they were voting, others thought that they had to come every year to register. Quite a few people asked, " Are you going to show me how to vote"? There were still others who do not know who to vote for and how their votes help. These are just a few of the comments that you hear from people who have never registered before.

There are six elderly women who reside in the Eagan Housing Project and attended a literacy class. These women registered for the first time in their lives and they are about seventy years old. Before they would go to the Registrar's office to register to vote, they made me promise to come back and show them how to use the voting machine and brief them on the offices that are to be filled this year.

There are many instances here, during election time, whereby people will go inside the voting booth and turn around and come out without pulling the lever down. They become frightened and don't know exactly what to do.

To give them an orientation on how to operate the voting machine, the procedures they should follow to vote intelligently, is certainly important as getting them registered to vote.

After the people have learned the duties of the public officials, they will be able to select them intelligently. This orientation will give them an insight of power of the ballot, if used correctly. It will also help them to make up their minds about candidates and select them accordingly.

Since there are quite a few people who are not conscious of the things that they must learn in order to be really first-class citizens, we, the All-Citizens Registration Committee, must make them conscious of their short comings.

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We must carry this Education program to them in the various communities just as we carried Voter Registration to them. After registration, education must come because educated ballots are more effective.

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EDUCATION PROGRAM

ALL-CITIZENS REGISTRATION COMMITTEE

PURPOSE:

This program is designed to familiarize the new voters of Atlanta with the voting machine ballot and the duties of office holders who they are voting for.

After learning the duties and the service that they are suppose to render to the people that they represent that they represent, it will give the new voter a better insight on how to select a candidate for this particular office.

PROGRAM:

I The demonstration of the voting machine, along with all the different procedures that take place before reaching the machine

A. The signing of the application for the ballot.
B. Passing to the Ward and Precinct Registration Book where your name is looked up and voting record date.
C. How to close curtain behind you and to read carefully the names of candidates so that you may make the right decisions.

D. Operation of the knobs to vote for or against a candidate.

Note:

Special emphasis should be placed on reading the ballot in its entirety and any additional referendums because important issues are often missed or overlooked when people fail to read the entire ballot and understand who and what they are voting for.

II Familiarization with the current ballot and the positions to be voted on.

III The Primary of September 9, and the General election. Why they are held.

A. Direct conformation with persons from every branch of Government and their task to the public.
1. Mayor
2. Aldermen
3. State Senator
4. Congressmen
5. Judge of Different Courts, etc.

B. These people should appear and explain their duties as office holders and the service they render to the public. Include their term of office, the governmental and geographical area they represent.

C. A person from the Mayor's office should tell how long he is suppose to serve and appointees are made. He should also discuss the various committees of the city government.

D. The Alderman should discuss the techniques he uses to form different committees; such as, the police department, parks, etc.

SUMMARY:

These things will help the new voter and old to understand that he needs to learn something about these people who will control some of the things that are very vital to his well-being and progress toward first-class citizenship.

I think this program should be held in different sections of the city until it gets around the city. The program should be held in a church or school. We will contact the new voters directly by mail from the list that was made when they registered. Advertise in newspapers, radio and television some handbills for distribution at car stops in town. The revolving light as a attraction, sound trucks will tour the area around where the project will be held. The time should begin around 8:00 P.M., until finished.

Drawn up and submitted by:

Mrs. Ella Mae Brayboy, Secretary
All-Citizens Registration Committee

P.S. This school to be conducted in selected churches in Ward and precincts of the city; twice a week, two hour sessions. The first night will be instructional and demonstrational. It will be open to the General public. The second night will a dinner meeting will be given to the voter registration area leaders and other officials.

Estimated Budget for 1964 Education & Registration Program

July 1, 1964 - August 31, 1964

WARD I		
Precincts	C, B, H, and E.	$300.00
Ward II Precincts	C, D,E, and B	300.00
Ward III Precincts	All	300.00
Ward IV Precincts	B, J, C, H, A, G	300.00
Ward V Precincts	B, F	100.00
Ward VI Precincts	I, H, D, B	200.00
Ward VII	All	300.00
Ward VIII Precincts	B	50.00
		$1,850.00

OFFICE EXPENSE

Mimeograph Paper		24.20
Enevelopes		15.00
Carbon Paper		3.00
Stencils		36.00
Postage		300.00
Letter Head		40.00
Other Supplies		50.00
Typewriter Rental		10.00
Telephone Services		40.00
		$518.20
Clerical Help	(Special)	50.00
	(Regular)	350.00
		$400.00
Paid Coordinator		525.00
Printing		250.00
		$775.00
Publicity		
Radio		300.00
Newspaper		300.00
Sound Truck		200.00
		$800.00

Grand Total
$4,293.20

Proposal

All Citizen Registration Committee
Education & Registration Schedule

Location	Proposed Dates	Ward Servicing	
Allen temple AME Church	tues & wed 7 & 8 July	3rd & 7th	
Mt Calvary Baptist Church	tues & wed 14 & 15 July	7th	
tabernacle Baptist Church	Mon & tues 20 & 21 July	6th 1st	
Kings Memorial Methodist Church	wed & thur. 29 & 30 July	2nd & 1st	
St. Mark A.M.E. Church	wed & thur 5 & 6 Aug	3rd.	
St. Paul A.M.E. Church	wed & thur 12 & 13 Aug	1st & 4th	
St. Stephens Baptist Church	wed & thur 19 & 20 Aug	4th & 1st	
[redacted] Mt. Vernon Baptist Church	wed & thur 26 & 27 Aug	3rd	

CONGRATULATIONS NEW VOTERS!

Now that you are a new voter and a first class citizen, there are some facts that you must know in order to vote correctly and effectively; how to operate the voting machine; know the people who hold office and who serve you in your community because these are the people you will select September 9, 1964.

Come to_____on_____ at 8:00 P.M. and got this valuable information.

A L L - C I T I Z E N S R E G I S T R A T I O N C O M M I T T E E

Special Recognition Banquet

Royal Peacock Supper Club

30 June 1964 8 PM

Presiding.....Chairman, Assoc. Chairmen
Jesse Hill, Jr., Horace T. Ward and Dr. Lee Shelton

Invocation.....Dea. Otelilus Shelmon

Music (Group Singing).....Mrs. Dorothy Cotton
Mrs. Bernita Darby

Introduction of Special Guests.....Dr. Lee Shelton
Benny T. Smith

Music

Roll Call Of Sections.....Rev. Fred C. Bennette

Roll Call Of PTA Groups.....Mrs. Carolyn D.Yancey

Roll Call Of Deputy Registrars..... Mrs. Ella M. Brayboy

"Politics And The Vote".....Sen. Leroy Johnson

Introduction Of Speaker.....Horace T. Ward

Guest Speaker..... Hosea Williams, Esq.
Savannah, Georgia

Other Business

We Shall Overcome

Benediction.....Rev. E. H. Dorsey

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WE SHALL OVERCOME

"We shall overcome;
We shall overcome;
We shall overcome some day.

Oh, deep in my heart
I do believe,
We shall overcome some day.

The truth shall make us free;
The truth shall make us free;
The truth shall make us free some day.

Oh, deep in my heart
I do believe,
We shall overcome some day.

We shall walk with God,
We shall walk with God,
We shall walk with God, some day.

Oh, deep in my heart
I do believe,
We shall overcome some day.

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"LIFT EVERY VOICE AND SING"

Words by:....James Weldon Johnson
Music by:....Rosamond Johnson

1. Lift every voice and sing 'til earth and heaven ring,
Ring with the harmonies of Liberty;
Let our rejoicing rise, high as the list'ning skies,
Let it resound loud as the rolling sea.

Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us;
Sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us.
Facing the rising sun of our new day begun,
Let us march on 'til victory is won.

2. Stony the road we trod,
Bitter the chast'ning rod.
Felt in the days when hope unborn had died;
Yet with a steady beat,
Have not our weary feet come to the place for which our Fathers sighed?

We have come over a way that with tears has been watered,
We have come treading our path the blood the slaughtered,
Out from the glooming path, till now we stand at last,
Where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.

3. God of our weary years,
God of our silent tears,
Thou who hast brought us thus far on the way;
Thou who hast by thy might let us into the light.
Keep us forever in the path, we pray.

Lest our feet, stray from the place, our God, where we met Thee.
Lest our hearts, drunk with the wine of the world,
We forget Thee.

Shadowed beneath Thy hand, May we forever stand,
True to our God, true to our native land.

Make your file VEP 4-28

Jesse Hill, Jr., ~~Co-Chairman~~
Chairman

ALL-CITIZENS REGISTRATION COMMITTEE

334 AUBURN AVENUE, NORTHEAST
ROOM ~~XXXX~~ ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA JACKSON ~~XXXXXX~~
2-1420

JUL 3 1964

July 2, 1964

Attorney Wiley Branton, Director
Southern Regional Council
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton:

We have attached our proposal for a Crash Voter Registration Drive, during the current period provided by the New Election Law Code.

We hereby also request an immediate grant of $3500.00 to assist us in carrying out this drive.

Respectfully submitted,

Jesse Hill

Jesse Hill, Jr.

JHJr:b:encl.

Mr. Ella Mae Drayton
200 Chappel Rd, N.W.
~~Pl~~ Pl 5-6793

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A VOTELESS PEOPLE IS A HELPLESS PEOPLE

PROSPECTUS FOR ATLANTA VOTER REGISTRATION DRIVE

JULY 1st to SEPTEMBER 15th

A few days ago Governor Carl E. Sanders signed into law a new Election Code for the State of Georgia. Under the old Georgia Code voter registration books are closed 6 months before elections. Under the new Code, the books are closed only 50 days before elections. This action reopened the books in Atlanta until July 20th for the Primary; and until September 14th for the Fall Presidential Election.

In order to take advantage of this additional time we have launched a Crash Voter Registration Drive.

I. Areas of Concentration

We intend to carry our drive throughout Fulton County and Ward II of DeKalb County.

AREA	COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP
South Atlanta	Bennie T. Smith Ernest Brown L. D. Simon
East Atlanta	Mrs. J. W. Brown Miss Johnnie Brown Clinton Batom
N. East Atlanta (DeKalb 2nd Ward)	Rev. E. L. Thomas Mr. E. J. Shepherd Miss Christine Hurt Samuel Sheats Miss Ann Caudle
N. W. Atlanta (Bankhead Area)	Charles Hart
N. W. Atlanta (Mid Westside)	Mrs. Ella Mae Brayboy Mr. Eddie Page Mrs. Dorothy Bolden Thompson Mrs. Corine Tillman
N. W. Atlanta (Far Westside)	Mr. Otelius Shelman Mr. Robert Dobbs
N. W. Atlanta (West Westside)	Mr. Robert Jackson Mrs. Harvey Johnson Mrs. Lois Moreland

II. P. T. A. Resources

Mrs. Carolyn D. Yancey will continue to coordinate further PTA volunteers who will canvass their communities.

III. Deputy Registrars

We have some 90 experienced Deputy Registrars, who are also potential voter registration leaders in their communities.

IV. We have a commitment from Rev. E. H. Dorsey, President of the Baptist Ministers Union, to vigorously lead our church area activity.

He will have the cooperation of key ministers of "Operation Breadbasket" and interdenominational group devoted to securing better job opportunities for Negroes.

V. Election Incentive

For the first time we have the added interest of election date pending during our drive.

BUDGET

Campaign Director	$ 750.00
Area Workers (4X$25.00 Per Week, 10 Weeks)	1,000.00
Transportation (Busses, 10 Nights @ $25.00)	250.00
Deputy Registrars (Expense Reimbursement 25, 10 Nights @ $2.00)	500.00
Food For Volunteers	500.00
Church Program	500.00
Neighborhood Offices (4)	500.00
Telephone	200.00
Sound Truck	200.00
Clerical Help (4X$35/week X 8 weeks)	1,000.00
Postage	500.00
Printing	700.00
Total	$6, 600.00

SOURCES OF BUDGET

Request From VEP	$3,500.00
Raise Locally	1,100.00
Request From COPE	2,000.00
	$6,600.00

P. S.- VI. Our efforts will also include the Fulton County townships of College Park, East Point, Fairburn and Union City.

JUL 3 1964

Jesse Hill, Jr., ~~Executive Co-Chairman~~
Chairman

JUL 3 1964

ALL-CITIZENS REGISTRATION COMMITTEE

334 AUBURN AVENUE, NORTHEAST
ROOM ~~XXXX~~ ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA JACKSON ~~XXXXXX~~
2-1420

July 2, 1964

Attorney Wiley Branton, Director
Southern Regional Council
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton:

Several days ago, we submitted to you our proposed Educational Program for Atlanta and Fulton County. We hereby request a grant of $4,293.20 to implement this program. Another copy of the proposed is attached for your information.

We estimate that there are some 15,000 or more new Negro registered voters in Atlanta who have never used a voting machine. We are facing the most crucial election Negroes in Atlanta have faced in their history of voting. There are new voting machines planned for certain Wards which will create a group of 25,000 or more citizens who may waste their vote by improper orientation without proper prior eduction.

Very truly yours,

Jesse Hill, Jr.
Chairman

JHJr:b:encl.

VEP 4-28

A VOTELESS PEOPLE IS A HELPLESS PEOPLE

PREAMBLE

EDUCATION PROGRAM

ALL-CITIZENS REGISTRATION COMMITTEE

Here, in Atlanta, Georgia, was found to be about 15,000 Negroes who needed to be exposed to knowledge of ballot or voting machines, the procedures and the duties of public officials who are elected to serve their various communities. These people are located all over the city of Atlanta in various sections of their communities. For example; one day while walking down the street, I observed a neighbor of mine who stated, " I am glad you all brought that Registration over to the school; now I can vote for the President". I replied that there are some other public officials who will need votes this year. He replied, " I did not know about them". Immediately I thought about the various observations that were made by myself and other Deputy Registrars during the registration drive.

Some people thought that they were voting, others thought that they had to come every year to register. Quite a few people asked, " Are you going to show me how to vote"? There were still others who do not know who to vote for and how their votes help. These are just a few of the comments that you hear from people who have never registered before.

There are six elderly women who reside in the Eagan Housing Project and attended a literacy class. These women registered for the first time in their lives and they are about seventy years old. Before they would go to the Registrar's office to register to vote, they made me promise to come back and show them how to use the voting machine and brief them on the offices that are to be filled this year.

There are many instances here, during election time, whereby people will go inside the voting booth and turn around and come out without pulling the lever down. They become frightened and don't know exactly what to do.

To give them an orientation on how to operate the voting machine, the procedures they should follow to vote intelligently, is certainly important as getting them registered to vote.

After the people have learned the duties of the public officials, they will be able to select them intelligently. This orientation will give them an insight of power of the ballot, if used correctly. It will also help them to make up their minds about candidates and select them accordingly.

Since there are quite a few people who are not conscious of the things that they must learn in order to be really first-class citizens, we, the All-Citizens Registration Committee, must make them conscious of their short comings.

We must carry this Education program to them in the various communities just as we carried Voter Registration to them. After registration, education must come because educated ballots are more effective.

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EDUCATION PROGRAM

ALL-CITIZENS REGISTRATION COMMITTEE

PURPOSE:

This program is designed to familiarize the new voters of Atlanta with the voting machine ballot and the duties of office holders who they are voting for.

After learning the duties and the service that they are suppose to render to the people that they represent that they represent, it will give the new voter a better insight on how to select a candidate for this particular office.

PROGRAM:

I The demonstration of the voting machine, along with all the different procedures that take place before reaching the machine

A. The signing of the application for the ballot.
B. Passing to the Ward and Precinct Registration Book where your name is looked up and voting record date.
C. How to close curtain behind you and to read carefully the names of candidates so that you may make the right decisions.

D. Operation of the knobs to vote for or against a candidate.

Note:

Special emphasis should be placed on reading the ballot in its entirety and any additional referendums because important issues are often missed or overlooked when people fail to read the entire ballot and understand who and what they are voting for.

II Familiarization with the current ballot and the positions to be voted on.

III The Primary of September 9, and the General election. Why they are held.

A. Direct conformation with persons from every branch of Government and their task to the public.
1. Mayor
2. Aldermen
3. State Senator
4. Congressmen
5. Judge of Different Courts, etc.

B. These people should appear and explain their duties as office holders and the service they render to the public. Include their term of office, the governmental and geographical area they represent.

C. A person from the Mayor's office should tell how long he is suppose to serve and appointees are made. He should also discuss the various committees of the city government.

D. The Alderman should discuss the techniques he uses to form different committees; such as, the police department, parks, etc.

SUMMARY:

These things will help the new voter and old to understand that he needs to learn something about these people who will control some of the things that are very vital to his well-being and progress toward first-class citizenship.

I think this program should be held in different sections of the city until it gets around the city. The program should be held in a church or school. We will contact the new voters directly by mail from the list that was made when they registered. Advertise in newspapers, radio and television some handbills for distribution at car stops in town. The revolving light as a attraction, sound trucks will tour the area around where the project will be held. The time should begin around 8:00 P.M., until finished.

Drawn up and submitted by:

Mrs. Ella Mae Brayboy, Secretary
All-Citizens Registration Committee

P.S. This school to be conducted in selected churches in Ward and precincts of the city; twice a week, two hour sessions. The first night will be instructional and demonstrational. It will be open to the General public. The second night will a dinner meeting will be given to the voter registration area leaders and other officials.

Estimated Budget for 1964 Education & Registration Program

July 1, 1964 - August 31, 1964

WARD I		
Precincts	C, B, H, and E.	$300.00
Ward II Precincts	C, D,E, and B	300.00
Ward III Precincts	All	300.00
Ward IV Precincts	B, J, C, H, A, G	300.00
Ward V Precincts	B, F	100.00
Ward VI Precincts	I, H, D, B	200.00
Ward VII	All	300.00
Ward VIII Precincts	B	50.00
		$1,850.00

OFFICE EXPENSE

Mimeograph Paper		24.20
Enevelopes		15.00
Carbon Paper		3.00
Stencils		36.00
Postage		300.00
Letter Head		40.00
Other Supplies		50.00
Typewriter Rental		10.00
Telephone Services		40.00
		$518.20
Clerical Help	(Special)	50.00
	(Regular)	350.00
		$400.00
Paid Coordinator	65¢ per hr.	525.00
Printing		250.00
		$775.00
Publicity		
Radio		300.00
Newspaper		300.00
Sound Truck		200.00
		$800.00

65
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48
45
40
5

Grand Total
$4,293.20

Proposal

All Citizen Registration Committee
Education & Registration Schedule

Location	Proposed Dates	Ward Servicing	
Allen temple AME Church	tues & wed 7 & 8 July	3rd & 7th	
Mt Calvary Baptist Church	tues & wed 14 & 15 July	7th	
Tabernacle Baptist Church	Mon & tues 20 & 21 July	6th 1st	
Kings Memorial Methodist Church	wed & thur. 29 & 30 July	2nd & 1st	
St. Mark A.M.E. Church	wed & thur 5 & 6 Aug	3rd	
St. Paul A.M.E. Church	wed & thur 12 & 13 Aug	1st & 4th	
St. Stephens Baptist Church	wed & thur 19 & 20 Aug	4th & 1st	
[redacted] Mt. Vernon Baptist Church	wed & thur 26 & 27 Aug	3rd	

CONGRATULATIONS NEW VOTERS!

Now that you are a new voter and a first class citizen, there are some facts that you must know in order to vote correctly and effectively; how to operate the voting machine; know the people who hold office and who serve you in your community because these are the people you will select September 9, 1964.

Come to_____on_____ at 8:00 P.M. and got this valuable information.

7/6/64 - Conference in UEP Office
W. B., B. Whitaker, Mr. Brayboy & Jessie Hill

Status of Neighborhood Registration —
Senator Johnson asked Travis Stewart — Stg Mgr. Demonstration about neighborhood reg. — Jessie talked with Hay.
Jessie also talked Allen Kipper - County Manager
No decision at this time re N/Reg

main file
4-28

July 7, 1964

Mr. Jesse Hill, Jr., Chairman
All Citizens Registration Committee
Atlanta Life Insurance Co.
148 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

RE: VEP 4-28

Dear Mr. Hill:

This will confirm the agreement made in the VEP office on July 6, 1964, in which VEP agreed to make a preliminary grant to the All Citizens Registration Committee in the amount of $1,500 to start a voter education and registration program in Fulton County Georgia. We are enclosing our check in the amount of $1,500 which we are requesting that you deposit to your special VEP account, and no other funds should be deposited to this account during the life of this project other than those coming from VEP. You are to notify our office as to the beginning serial number of the voucher checks which you intend to use for this program.

It is our understanding that your program will be under the general supervision and direction of Mrs. Ella M. Brayboy, and we will be pleased to work with her in any way that we possibly can. It probably would be helpful if you would explain to all of the people working with All Citizens Registration Committee that Mrs. Brayboy is in charge as we will look to her to make the day-to-day decisions regarding the project, and certainly no funds should be expended without the prior approval of Mrs. Brayboy.

We are aware of the fact that you submitted a separate proposal for a crash registration project and as soon as you are able to get approval for neighborhood registration, then we can consider supplementing your grant to take care of your part of the program. For the moment, we will play it by ear and the continuation of your project beyond the preliminary grant will be conditioned by the apparent success of your program.

We have furnished Mrs. Brayboy with a set of instructions regarding the disbursement of VEP funds, but I again want to caution that no part of this grant may be used to engage in partisan politics or in support of any political candidate. Mrs. Barbara Whitaker will write separately regarding reporting requirements.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:bs

cc: Mrs. Ella M. Brayboy

Encl: $1,500 check

13-14 Jul 1964

5 More Days To Register To Vote This Fall

Atlantans and Georgians have five more days to register to vote in this year's fall primary elections, they were reminded Monday.

Next Monday, July 20, is the deadline date. Registration is possible at the Fulton County and DeKalb County courthouses from 8:30 until 5 p.m. daily.

The elections this fall will be the most important since "Reconstruction Days," it was pointed out.

Political Action Workshop Set For Tuesday Evening

The first of a series of workshops designed to furnish vital information on how, who, what and why in politics is scheduled Tuesday July 21 at Allen Temple A. M. E. Church, located at Simpson Road and West Lake Avenue, beginning at 8 p. m.

Under the sponsorship of the All Citizens Registration Committee the clinics will aquaint registered citizens with all facets of political activity, including proper operation of the new voting machines that will go into effect during the September primary.

Other features of the workshops will be an explanation of the duties and responsibilities of various public offices, and the reviewing of the functions of various public offices in government within the community.

The privilege, duty, and power of voting will also be emphasized to show why one should vote. City, county, and state officials have been invited to participate in the workshops to give the voter a chance to see and meet the elected public officials.

Other workshops in other sections of the city will follow at later dates.

New registered citizens, along with those who have been qualified throughout the years, are urged to avail themselves to these workshops.

Any further information can be obtained by contacting Mrs. Ella Brayboy at the All-Citizens Registration Committee office on Auburn Avenue.

Atlanta Journal 13-14-64

New Voters Workshop Scheduled

The All Citizens Registration Committee on July 21 will conduct a one-night workshop in voting know-how for newly registered voters in Atlanta's westside Negro community.

The workshop is scheduled at 8 p.m., July 21, in Allen Temple AME Church, and is intended primarily for persons who registered during the recent neighborhood registration program.

There were between 1,400 and 1,500 of them in the Turner and West Fulton high school areas, according to Mrs. Ella Mae Brayboy, secretary of the all-citizens committee.

AT THE workshop, the new voters will get instruction in the use of voting machines and will be familiarized with the various city, county and state elective offices and officers.

Many city, county and state officials are being invited to meet the new voters and answer any of their questions about governmental operations.

Mrs. Brayboy said the voter education workshop is the first of what may be several. "It is a pilot program and we want to see how it goes," she said.

Funds for the workshop will come from the Voter Education Program (VEP) of the Southern Regional Council. Wiley Branton is director of VEP.

report that came out after the workshop was published and sent to publication

Utilizing The Community's Resources

City Personnel Director Carl T. Sutherland reported Friday to the Mayor's Job Opportunities Committee that during the first six months of 1964 the City of Atlanta has employed above the common labor level 188 persons of color, in 21 job classifications.

Some 908 of the same ethnic group were employed as laborers out of the total of 1,580 laborers hired. The Job Opportunities Committee's membership includes both races.

The 188 employees working skilled assignments represent distinct progress for the City and for Negroes. It demonstrates that there is talent among both races that can help operate affairs of the city. It also sets a pattern and encourages private business to provide employment for qualified Negroes. The U.S. Department of Commerce, the President's Committee on Equal Job Opportunity and just about every other reliable source show clearly that finding jobs for Negroes is a basic and annoying problem.

The lack of employment — even when qualified — understandably gives rise to discontent, unrest and frustration, the evidences of which are pretty generally known.

It is gratifying to note the City of Atlanta's accomplishment, even as it inaugurates what must be in the end a prideful accomplishment.

Just A Few More Hours Remain; Make Monday, July 20th, A Record Date

Be it known that a change in the registration law afforded additional time in which registration would be extended. The deadline, therefore, was lengthened to July 20th, at which time the books will be closed.

We are again calling attention to all citizens who have allowed their registration to lapse because of non-voting, those who have put off their registration and the new 18 year old eligibles that this harvest must not pass; that every real American be at his post this September and November for the important job of helping to name the officials who will guide our destinies.

Surely you would not default your country by your neglectful indifference.

The way to meet what you are arguing about is through intelligent use of the ballot.

How, Who, What And Why For Voters Tuesday

Inquirer

How, who, what and why is the basic idea behind a new series of voting know-how workshops sponsored by the All-Citizens Registration registered voters and old voters how to use the new voting machines that will be in operation in some precints for the September primary. Numerous city, county and state officials have been invited to attend and participate in these workshops giving the voters a chance to meet first hand the people they have elected to public office.

The duties and responsibilities of these various offices as well as those of the many different committees in government will be explained, giving the voter a full general knowledge of what these officials do.

The privilege, duty and power of voting will also be emphasized to show why one should vote.

The first in a series of these workshops will be conducted Tuesday, July 21st at Allen Temple Church, located at Simpson Rd. and West Lake Ave. beginning promptly at 8:00 P.M. There are some 1,500 people in this area who registered to vote during the recent Neighborhood Registration Campaign. All of these people as well as the thousands of previously registered voters should avail themselves of this opportunity. Other workshops on other sections of the city will follow this one at later dates according to Mrs. Ella M. Brayboy, secretary of the All-Citizens Reigstration Committee.

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ALL-CITIZENS
REGISTRATION COMMITTEE
334 AUBURN AVENUE, NORTHEAST
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303 - TELEPHONE JACKSON 4-1370

July 14, 1964

Dear New Voter:

Let me first congratulate you on the steps to become one of Atlanta's new electorates! This action guarantees to you the rights of first-class citizenship.

Now, the next step is to become familiar with the voting machines, the office holders, and their responsibilities to you.

To accomplish this step, The All-Citizens Registration Committee will conduct a voter registration program at Allen Temple A. M. E. Church, corner of Simpson Road and West Lake Avenue, on Tuesday, July 21, at 8:00 P.M.

We are looking to see you there.

Sincerely yours,

Josse Hill, Jr., Chairman

(Mrs) Ella Mae Brayboy, Secretary

JHJr:EMB/erj

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ALL-CITIZENS
REGISTRATION COMMITTEE
334 AUBURN AVENUE, NORTHEAST
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303 - TELEPHONE JACKSON 4-1370

WB
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July 15, 1964

Name
Address
City and State

Dear Mr.-----:

This letter is to invite you to participate in the Voter Education Workshop conducted by All Citizens Registration Committee at Allen Temple A.M.E. Church, corner West Lake Avenue and Simpson Road, July, 21, 1964 at 8 P.M.

This workshop is being conducted for the new voters who registered during the recent neighborhood campaign and old voters as well.

It is of the utmost importance that you be present to inform them of your duties and responsibilities to them.

You will have three (3) minutes in which to make your presentation. Please reply if you cannot come or send a representative.

Looking to see you there.

Sincerely yours,

Jesse Hill, Jr.,
Chairman

(Mrs.) Ella Mae Brayboy,
Secretary

JHJr:EMB/bhh

VEP 4-28

AN AFFILIATE OF SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

A VOTELESS PEOPLE IS A HELPLESS PEOPLE

July 15 at YWCA. 3:00
I scheduled a showing of the Votomatic tabulator

July 15 at 1:30 orientation on old voting machine

WILSON BROOKS
FULTON COUNTY
413 GRANT BUILDING
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

CHAIRMAN
SPECIAL JUDICIARY

CHAIRMAN
SUB-COMMITTEE
(RULES)
RULE CHANGES

MEMBER COMMITTEES:

RULES
STATE OF REPUBLIC

House of Representatives

House Chamber
Atlanta

July 16, 1964

Mr. Jesse Hill, Jr., Chairman
All-Citizens Registration Committee
334 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Hill:

This will acknowledge and thank you for your invitation to be at the "Voter Education Workshop" conducted by the All-Citizens Registration Committee on July 21, 1964, at 8 P.M.

Unless providentially prohibited, I will be in attendance.

With kind personal regards, I am.

Yours cordially,

Wilson Brooks

WILSON BROOKS

WB:ba

CHARLES LONGSTREET WELTNER
FIFTH DISTRICT, GEORGIA

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

July 16, 1964

Mr. Jesse Hill, Jr.
Chairman
All-Citizens Registration Committee
334 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Hill:

I appreciate very much your kind invitation to participate in the Voter Education Workshop on July 21.

Unfortunately, I have to be back in Washington on that date, and regret that I will be unable to attend. However, Miss Sara Craig of my office will represent me at this important function.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Charles Longstreet Weltner
Member of Congress

mt

BOARD OF ALDERMEN

ATLANTA, GEORGIA

JACK SUMMERS
ALDERMAN 7TH WARD

July 16th, 1964.

Mr. Jesse Hill, Jr. Chm.
Registration Committee,
334 Auburn Avenue N.E.
Atlanta Georgia 30303

Dear Jesse:-

Thank you for your letter and invitation to participate in the Voters Education Workshop to be held at Allen Temple A.M.E. Church July 21,1964 at 8 P.M.

I will be out of the City from July 20th until Friday July 24th, therefore I will be unable to participate.

Would you please express to the group my regrets.

Yours truly,

Jack

JS:LS

JACK SUMMERS

CITY OF ATLANTA

IVAN ALLEN, JR.
MAYOR

July 17, 1964

Mr. Jesse Hill, Jr.
Chairman, All-Citizens
Registration Committee
334 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Hill:

Thank you very much for your letter of July 15th inviting me to participate in the workship on Tuesday evening July 21st.

I certainly wish I could be with you on this occasion, as I am certainly in favor of the efforts you are making. I regret, however, that I am catching a six o'clock plane that evening in order to attend an out of town meeting.

With appreciation, I am

Sincerely,

Ivan Allen, Jr.
Mayor

IAJr:ad

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LEROY N. STYNCHCOMBE
CHIEF DEPUTY SHERIFF

CARL W. SMITHWICK
CHIEF JAILER

T. RALPH GRIMES, SHERIFF

FULTON COUNTY, ATLANTA, GA. 30303

July 17, 1964

Mr. Jesse Hill, Jr.
Chairman, All Citizens Registering Committee
334 Auburn Avenue, N. E.,
Atlanta, Georgia, 30303

Dear Jesse:

I am very sorry to advise that I will not be able to be present at your meeting at the Allen Temple Church on July 21st, 1964 as I will be in New York.

Mr. Jim Pulliam will be present, however, to represent me.

Trusting you will have a good meeting and I certainly wish to ask for your support and the support and vote of your organizations in the coming election.

Sincerely yours,

T. Ralph Grimes

T. RALPH GRIMES, SHERIFF

TRG:NL

NATIONAL SHERIFFS' ASS'N

CITY OF ATLANTA

DEPARTMENT of PARKS

Office of General Manager

Atlanta, Georgia 30303

JACK C. DELIUS
GENERAL MANAGER

July 17, 1964

Mr. Jesse Hill, Chairman
Mrs. Ella Mae Brayboy, Secretary
All-Citizens Registration Committee
334 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Sir and Madam:

I acknowledge and thank you for your letter of July 15, 1964, inviting me to participate in the Voter Education Workshop at Allen Temple A.M.E. Church at 8:00 P. M. on July 21, 1964.

Baring unforeseen circumstances I will be in attendance and thank you for your invitation.

Sincerely yours,

Jack C. Delius

Jack C. Delius
General Manager of
Parks and Recreation

JCD/lc

CITY OF ATLANTA

PERSONNEL BOARD

CITY HALL

Atlanta 3, Georgia

CARL T. SUTHERLAND
Director

July 17, 1964

Mr. Jesse Hill, Jr., Chairman
Mrs. Ella Mae Brayboy, Secretary
All-Citizens Registration Committee
334 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Hill and Mrs. Brayboy:

I regret that I will not be able to participate in the Voter Education Workshop at Allen Temple A.M.E. Church on the evening of July 21.

I do appreciate your thoughtfulness in inviting me.

Sincerely,

Carl T. Sutherland
CARL T. SUTHERLAND

CTS:sh

July 21, 1964

PROGRAM

Moderator

Atty. Donald L. Hollowell

Invocation.....Rev. J. H. Middleton

Statement of Purpose.....Rev. Fred C. Bennette, Jr.

New Votomatic Tabulator.....Mr. Lynne Weestergarde

Will be used in Ward 6 (Precinct I and H)

Demonstration in Voting.....Narrated by Atty. Horace T. Ward

Statements from Public Officials on 'How They Serve This Community'

(3) minutes

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

replied but did not appear Hon. Charles L. Weltner.....Congressman of 5th District

STATE OFFICIALS

Cooperated Hon. Leroy R. Johnson.....State Senator of 38th District

Cooperated Hon. Wilson Brooks.....State House of Representatives
Fulton County

Cooperated Hon. Ralph McClelland.....State House of Representatives
Fulton County

Cooperated Hon. Jack Etheridge.....State House of Representatives
Fulton County

COUNTY OFFICIALS

Cooperated Hon. Harold McCart.....Chairman, County Commissioners

Cooperated Hon. Ralph Grimes.....Sheriff

Cooperated Hon. Leon Hay.....Chief Registrar

Cooperated Hon. J. C. Daugherty.....Executive Committee (3rd Ward)

No response Hon. Edgar W. Wilson.....Executive Committee (7th Ward)

No response Hon. Clinton Hawkins.....Executive Committee (7th Ward)

CITY OFFICIALS

Out of town Hon. Jack Summers.....Alderman (7th Ward)

No response Hon. Milton Farris..... Alderman (7th Ward)

No response Hon. William T. Knight.....Alderman (3rd Ward)

No response Hon. J. W. Vickers.....Alderman (3rd Ward)

Cooperated Hon. Rufus E. Clement.....Member, Board of Education
(3rd Ward)

No response Hon. Glen Frick.....Member, Board of Education
(7th Ward)

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICIALS

Cooperated Hon. Carl T. Sutherland.....Personnel Director, City of Atlanta

Cooperated Hon. Jack C. Delius.....General Manager of Parks, City of Atlanta

Cooperated Hon. S. W. Graydon.....Sanitary Engineer, City of Atlanta

Cooperated Hon. Karl A. Bevins.....Traffic Engineer, City of Atlanta

Benediction

Sponsored by the All-Citizens Registration Committee

Jesse Hill, Jr., Chairman

Section Leaders in Near Northwest Area

Mr. Charles S. Hart — Rev. R. L. Johnson — Mr. S. Chisholm

Mrs. Ella Mae Brayboy — Mr. Robert Jackson

ALL-CITIZENS
REGISTRATION COMMITTEE
334 AUBURN AVENUE, NORTHEAST
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303 - TELEPHONE JACKSON 4-1370

July 23, 1964

Mrs. Eliza Brown
90 Whiteford Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Brown:

I am writing you to give a report of the Education Program and the follow-up of the Registration Campaign. This program is being financed by the Voter Education Project of which Mr. Wiley Branton is the director.

The first program was held on Tuesday, July 21, 1964 at Allen Temple A.M.E. Church. 700 people attended this program. A complete schedule for the city has not been made up yet. This will be done when Mr. Jesse Hill returns from his vacation.

Plans for this Educational Program was designed by Ella Mae Brayboy, but always feel free to submit suggestions and ideas. The section leaders of the area where the program is presented are consulted to find out the best time or date and if this plan will meet the needs of their community.

At all times, and in every phase of our work, we must never lose sight of the fact in unity, there is strength.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Ella Mae Brayboy,
Secretary

Copy of report to officers of All Citizen Registration

MR McCART. CALLED
WILL SEND REPRESENTATIVE

MR BEVINS CALLED
WILL SEND A REPRESENTATIVE

ALL-CITIZENS
REGISTRATION COMMITTEE
334 AUBURN AVENUE, NORTHEAST
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303 - TELEPHONE JACKSON 4-1370

July 15, 1964

Name
Address
City and State

Dear Mr.-----:

This letter is to invite you to participate in the Voter Education Workshop conducted by All Citizens Registration Committee at Allen Temple A.M.E. Church, corner West Lake Avenue and Simpson Road, July, 21, 1964 at 8 P.M.

This workshop is being conducted for the new voters who registered during the recent neighborhood campaign and old voters as well.

It is of the utmost importance that you be present to inform them of your duties and responsibilities to them.

You will have three (3) minutes in which to make your presentation. Please reply if you cannot come or send a representative.

Looking to see you there.

Sincerely yours,

Jesse Hill, Jr.,
Chairman

(Mrs.) Ella Mae Brayboy,
Secretary

JHJr:EMB/bhh

ALL-CITIZENS
REGISTRATION COMMITTEE
334 AUBURN AVENUE, NORTHEAST
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303 - TELEPHONE JACKSON 4-1370

July 15, 1964

Dear Brother-In-Christ:

We, the All-Citizens Registration Committee, are conducting a voter registration program at Allen Temple A.M.E. Church, corner of West Lake Avenue and Simpson Road, July 21, 1964 at 8:00 P.M. We are interested in inviting the ministerial group to help promote the same.

You may well know that this program will not succeed, unless you; as a misister and a leader help to promote it.

A voting machine will be set up at this time for demonstration.

Please inform your congregation of this program and urge them to take advantage of it.

Sincerely yours,

Jesse Hill

Mr. Jesse Hill, Jr., Chairman

Ella Mae Brayboy

(Mrs.) Ella Mae Brayboy, Secretary

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REGISTRATION COMMITTEE
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ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303 - TELEPHONE JACKSON 4-1370

July 23, 1964

To: Mr. Wiley Branton

From: Mrs. Ella Mae Brayboy

Re: Report of Education Program or Voter Education Workshop conducted by All-Citizens Registration Committee

The first program was held at Allen Temple A.M.E. Church, July 21, 1964 at 8:00 PM. with about 650 or 700 people in attendance. The (2) different voting machines that will be used in Fulton County were demonstrated with emphasis on the one that will be used in that section of the city in November and September.

All of the Public Officials that were invited did did not appear or reply to the letter of invitation that was sent to them. I am referring particularly to the Aldermen of the 3rd and 7th. ward and to the Major.

I received excellent cooperation from the County Officials and City Administrative Officials. I have tentative plans for this workshop to be held at Tabernacle Baptist Church in the northeast section of the city, that is, precinct 6H and 6I, where the new Votomatic Tabulator will be used in the Primary on September 9th. I am now waiting for clearance on the church for the date that section leaders in that area want it to be held on.

There is a great demand by the people or section leaders of different areas for this program to appear in section. The people that I am referring to as section leaders are all members of All-Citizens Registration Committee, and in charge of various units through out the city and in suburban areas like East Point and College Park, (all part of Fulton County).

I had a survey conducted the first night of the 'Workshop', to determine what was really the thing that brought the people to the workshop.

For publicity, I put it in the newspapers, radio, distributed handbills and sent out letters, directly, to the people who registered in our neighborhood campaign.

I found that the letters were more effective in bringing out the new voters of the person who was voting for the first time. I sent letters to the people in Grove Park and the Dixie Hills area. I also asked the ministers to support this program as it appeared throughout the city. About 3,500 letters were sent out; 700 people were present.

Respectfully yours,

Ella Mae Brayboy

(Mrs.) Ella Mae Brayboy, Secretary
All-Citizens Registration Committee

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REGISTRATION COMMITTEE
334 AUBURN AVENUE, NORTHEAST
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New release

To: The Voters Who Vote at David T. Howard and Forrest Road School
(Precincts 6H and 6I)

It is of the utmost importance that you come to Tabernacle Baptist Church, 475 Boulevard, Northeast, Rev. E. H. Dorsey, pastor, Monday, August 3rd. at 8:00 P.M. to see a demonstration in the use of the new Votomatic Machine which will be used for the first time in September primary at David T. Howard School and Forrest Road School.

Also, at this time the public officials who serve this community on the State, County and city levels will be present to outline their duties as office-holders.

This program is sponsored by the Northease unit of the All-Citizens Registration Committee of which Mr. Jesse Hill, Jr., is the chairman.

Section Leaders

Mrs. Christine Hurt
Mr. S. A. Sheats
Rev. E. R. Thomas
Mr. E. J. Sheperd

JESSE HILL, GENERAL CHAIRMAN

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ALL-CITIZENS REGISTRATION COMMITTEE

236 AUBURN AVENUE, NORTHEAST
ROOM 211 ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA JACKSON 2-2516

July 28, 1964

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Attorney Wiley Branton, Director
Southern Regional Council
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton:

We have enclosed herewith a copy of Mrs. Ella Mae Brayboy's letter requesting (1) An immediate additional grant instalment and (2) Extension of our Educational Program from September 15th to November 1st.

We endorse both recommendations and formally request that you approve each.

We are also reopening our efforts to negotiate Neighborhood Registration.

Very truly yours,

Jesse Hill

Jesse Hill, Jr., Chairman
All-Citizens Registration Committee

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Mr. Jesse Hill, Jr.
Atlanta Life Insurance Company
148 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Hill:

I feel that your attention should be called to the importance of the Voter Education Workshop which the All-Citizens Registration Committee is currently sponsoring.

A complete schedule of the city has not been planned due to the shortage of funds. Although, there have been repeated requests for this program to appear in every section of Atlanta and suburban areas; namely, East Point and College Park.

In my estimation, Registration on a large scale as we had in our recent campaign is wasted unless education follows. Then after Education, organization is sure to follow. In other words, as we educate people in the use of the voting machine, and as to what the duties of office-holders are, we stimulate thinking and motivate them to try to help themselves.

I strongly urge that you request from the Voter Education Project the extension of our Education Program from September 15th to November 1st.

I also suggest that you immediately renew efforts to secure neighborhood registration before September 14th.

I hope that you will take prompt action right away so that commitments can be made and kept to the other units of the All-Citizens Registration Committee.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Ella Mae Brayboy
Secretary and Coordinator
All-Citizens Registration Committee

EB:b
cc: Atty. Wiley Branton

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New Voters' Workshop Scheduled

The All Citizens Registration Committee will conduct the second in a series of voter education workshops Monday for newly-registered Negro voters in the northeast sector of the city.

The workshop is scheduled at 8 p.m. in the Tabernacle Baptist Church at 475 Boulevard, NE. Some 1,500 persons who registered at David T. Howard High School during the neighborhood registration drive conducted earlier this summer are being invited to attend.

The new, smaller voting machines called "Votamatics" will be demonstrated. These machines are to be used in Precincts 6H and 6I during the fall elections.

The workshop is sponsored directly by the northeast unit of the All Citizens committee. The unit is headed by Mrs. Christine Hurt.

A third workshop is scheduled Aug. 17 in Recreation Center No. 2 in College Park under the Voters League of College Park, headed by Mrs. Thelma Adams.

Votomatic Machine's Operations To Be Explained Monday

A demonstration in how to use the new Votomatic Machines, will be held Monday night, Aug. 3, at the Tabernacle Baptist Church at 475 Boulevard, N.E., Rev. E. H. Dorsey, pastor.

This machine will be used for the first time in September primary at David T. Howard and Forrest Road Schools. It is important that voters attend this demonstration.

Also at this time, the public officials who serve the northeast community on the state, county, and city levels, will be present to outline and discuss their duties as office-holders.

This program is sponsored by the Northeast unit of the All-Citizens Registration Committee, Jessie Hill, Jr., chairman.

Section leaders are: Mrs. Christine Hurt, Mr. S. A. Sheats, Rev. E. R. Thomas and Mr. E. J. Shepherd.

At a workshop held July 21, at Allen Temple AME Church, 700 people attended.

Votomatic Machine Demonstration Set

The Votomatic machine, which will be used for the first time in the September primary, will be demonstrated Monday night, August 3, at Tabernacle Baptist Church at 475 Boulevard, N. E., the Rev. E. H. Dorsey, pastor.

The demonstration is especially beamed towards voters in this area, who will vote at David T. Howard and Forrest Road Schools. Section leaders include Mrs. Christine Hurt, S. A. Sheats, Rev. E. R. Thomas and E. J. Shepherd. The program is sponsored by the Northeast unit of the All-Citizens Registration Committee.

Votomatic Machine Demonstration Aug. 3 At Tabernacle Church

A Voter Education Workshop will be held on Monday, August 3, at 8:00 P. M., Tabernacle Baptist Church, 475 Boulevard, N. E., Rev. E. H. Dorsey, pastor.

At this time, there will be a demonstration in the use of the new Votomatic Machine.

It is of the utmost importance that the voters who will cast their ballots at David T. Howard High School and Forrest Road School come out and become acquainted with this machine because it will be used in the September primary, officials stated.

New voters in this section will have the opportunity to see the office - holders of their community and learn what their duties are supposed to be.

Journal

Vote Machines To Be Explained At Negro Church

A voter education workshop and demonstration in use of voting machines will be held Tuesday at 8 p.m. at the St. Mark AME Church, 491 Chestnut St., NW, the Rev. M. L. Hood, pastor, announced.

Other workshops will be held Wednesday at Grant Chapel on Bayard Street in East Point, and on Aug. 17 at the Lester Chapel Methodist Church in College Park.

The workshops are sponsored by the All-Citizens Registration Committee. Wiley Branton is director; Jesse Hill Jr., chairman, and Mrs. Ella Mae Brayboy, coordinator.

Voting Machines To Be Explained In Monday Nite Meeting

A demonstration on use of voting machines will be held Monday night, Aug. 17, in Laster Chapel Methodist Church, beginning at 8 p. m.

The church is located at Harvard and Atlanta Ave., and is pastored by Rev. C. L. Henderson.

The demonstration is sponsored by the All Citizens Registration Committee, of which Jesse Hill, Jr., is chairman.

Citizens attending the demonstration and meeting will be given opportunity to learn some of the expected duties of officeholders also.

Atlantans In N. E. Urged To Learn Vote Machine Use

Some 6,000 registered voters in Northeast Atlanta are being urged to attend meetings to get instructions on how to use the new voting machines. These meetings are being held in the Education Center of Tabernacle Baptist Church, 475 Blvd., N. E., Rev. E. H. Dorsey, pastor.

Leaders of the Northeast Community Civic Council, Inc., have received instructions from registration officials, and will be available each day through August 31 from 2:30 p. m. to 8:30 p. m., to instruct registered voters.

The announcement was made by E. J. Shepard, precinct leader of Precinct 6-H, who said he would be accompanied by Ralph Johnson, leader of Precinct 6-I, and Ward Leader S. A. Sheets in the endeavor.

Leaders are making efforts to arouse interest in the Sept. 9 primary, and to help registered voters learn how to handle new voting machines.

Mr. Shepard said several machines are now in the education center,

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and urged all registered voters in the area to attend instruction classes. In addition pastors, clubs presidents and other group leaders have been asked to send their people in for instructions. Letters are being sent to registered voters.

The Northeast Council, Rev. E. L. Thomas, president is affiliated with the All Citizens Registration Committee. Mrs. Christine Hurt, Chairman of the Executive Board of the council is a co - chairman of the all citizens committee.

1900 WITNESS DEMONSTRATION OF NEW VOTOMATIC MACHINES

A standing -room-only crowd of some 1200 Negro citizens listened to and watched Monday with interest an explanation and demonstration of the new Votomatic voting machine to be used in several "test" precincts during the next election. The demonstration was given by Mr. Lynn Westergarde at Tabernacle Baptist Church in Northeast Atlanta. Attorney Donald L. Hollowell, prominent civil rights attorney, is the perminent moderator of the series of neighborhood educational programs with started with a crowd of 700 at Allen Temple A.M.E. last week.

State, county and city officials who served the community were invited to the session to explain "How They Serve This Community."

A project of the All-Citizens Registration Committee of which Jesse Hill, Jr. is president, the Votomatic sessions are coordinated by Mrs. Ella Mae Brayboy. Sessions are

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scheduled for Tuesday, August 11, at St. Mark A.M.E. Church, 491 Chestnut Street in Northwest Atlanta, where Rev. M.L. Hood is pastor; Wednesday, August 12, at Grant Chapel Methodist Church on Bayard Street in East Point, where Rev. Henderson is pastor, and Monday, August 17, at Lasiter Chapel Methodist Church, Atlanta and Harvard Streets in East Point. All sessions will begin at 8:00 P.M.

Mrs. Brayboy reports that interest is rapidly mounting in the demonstrations of the new machine which will be used at David T. Howard High and Forrest Road Schools in the September Primary, and requests are being received from all over the sixth ward for the sessions.

ACRC president Jesse Hill, Jr. revealed that because of the great demand, twenty of the machines are being requested for use in demonstrations. Hill stated that this is the first educational program in the country to be launched under the Voter' Education Project, headed by Attorney Wiley Branton.

Many persons attending the Tabernacle session were heard discussing the inspirational and challenging remarks made by the VEP head.

Mr. Hill states that the vote machine workshops will be extended to November 1st in an effort to satisfy the surprising demand.

EXPLAINS NEW VOTING MACHINE — Voters from Ward 6-H gather around Fulton County Public Information Director Lynn R. Westergaard as he explains the operation of the new voter-matic machine. Ward leaders fear too few voters will understand how it works.

(Perry's Photo)

Atlanta World

New Voting Machine Raises Opposition

By HARMON G. PERRY
(World's News Staff)

Use of a new and smaller voting machine in two heavily populated Negro precincts in the Northeast section of Atlanta is being construed by leaders in the area and at least one registration organization as a deliberate attempt to dilute the effectiveness of that section during the coming elections.

The new machines, which could be termed as being totally foreign and unfamiliar to a majority of voters, are to be used on a trial basis in four precincts, two of which are predominately Negro during the September primary.

Fulton County authorities deny any attempt to weaken the voting score of any ward through the insertion of the machines, but proclaim it as a progressive step in voting techniques which could prove faster and more effective.

The machines will be put into operation in precincts 6-H, which encompasses the Butler-Ponce De Leon - Glen Iris - Houston Street area, and precinct 6-I, which takes in the Grady Homes - Auburn Ave. Randolph Street area.

A total of approximately 6,000 registered Negro voters are involved in these two precincts as compared to about 121 white voters, according to the All-Citizens Registration Committee.

COMMITTEE OBJECTS

This committee has operated with the help of Wiley Branton's Southern Regional Council voter education program, in increasing Negro voter registration, and more recently in voter education workshops designed to acquaint voters

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with office holders and their duties and in operation of voting machines.

Mrs. Ella Brayboy, registration committee director, was one of the first to strongly object to the use of the voting machines in the two precincts. The All-Citizens Registration Committee sees the new inovation as an attempt weaken the vote in the ward.

The committee says this Negro ward is made up mostly of culturally deprived people, and is one of its most prized accomplishments during the recent neighborhood registration campaign.

Over 1,000 new registered voters were added in the area and it is feared that most of this work will have been wasted when the new machine is put to use.

Samuel Sheats, leader of Ward Six, feels an intensified program of special instruction in the operation of the new machine could be effected by election time to off-set any serious loss of votes.

Sheats led a delegation of voters from the two precints before the county commissioners last week to express their concern over the use of the machines in their ward. He said the meeting ended with an agreement that his ward would launch a series of special instruction periods.

This agreement to accept the new machines apparently has not met with the approval of all precinct leaders in the ward, and is not acceptable with the All-Citizens Registration Committee.

WANT NO MACHINES

Meanwhile August 17 has been set as the date for a hearing on a suit filed by a group of DeKalb County citizens who are seeking halt use of the new machines .... and the old one too.

The petition claims machines deprive a voter from the opportunity of visually inspecting a ballot to detrmine for whom he has previously voted.

The suit contends only the written ballot constitutes a vote, and that voting machines are not ballots.

The petitioners seek to enjoin use of the machines in the coming primary election.

August 4, 1964

Mr. Jesse Hill
Atlanta Life Insurance Company
148 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

RE: VEP 4-28

Dear Mr. Hill:

I am enclosing herein our VEP check in the amount of $1,500 representing a supplemental grant to the VEP educational program being supported by the All Citizens Registration Committee under the direction of Mrs. Ella Mae Brayboy.

I was pleased to see the hundreds of people who were present at Tabernacle Church last night, and I commend all of you for such a worthwhile program.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:js

cc: Mrs. Ella Mae Brayboy

Encl: $1500 check

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August 7, 1964

Mrs. Ella Mae Braboy
All Citizens Registration Committee
334 Auburn Avenue
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mrs. Brayboy:

Thank you for the financial reporting which we recently received in this office.

Let me take this opportunity, since this was the first financial reporting you have been responsible for, to call your attention to some of the VEP requirements concerning financial reporting. First, when your project makes expenditures for printing of promotional material, it is necessary that a sample of that printing be attached to the VEP check carbon. For example, your check #607 written on July 15, was in payment of handbill printing charges. It will be necessary for us to have a sample of this handbill.

Also, when checks for petty cash are made out, it is necessary for us to have complete reporting as soon as possible on the use to which this money was put. For example, your check #610, written on July 21 to the Rev. Bennett for $25.00 for petty cash, must be supported as soon as possible by receipts and statements so that we may enter the appropriate amounts into the appropriate accounts in our books. Mr. Bennett is aware of this procedure and so he will be saving his receipts, et c.

I am enclosing the machine tape which accompanied your check carbons and call your attention to the red check mark I have placed beside one item for $50.00. This $50.00 represents a check which was marked "void" and, therefore, should not have been added into this tape. In other words, the total

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amount of money accounted for in your recent financial reporting is $[illegible].69 and not the $730.89 shown on the attached tape.

If you have any questions, or if I can assist you in any way in these matters please feel free to phone me at 671-2242.

Sincerely yours,

Jean Levine
Fiscal Assistant

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St. Mark A.M.E. Church

Tuesday, August 11, 1964

8:00 P.M.

Atty. Donald L. Hollowell

Invocation.....Rev. Fred C. Bennette,

Purpose.....Mr. Jesse Hill, Jr.

Demonstration in Voting.....Narrated by Horace T. Ward

Statements from Public Officials on 'How They Serve This Community'

(3) Minutes

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Hon. Charles L. Weltner.....5th District Congressman

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Hon. Oby T. Brewer.....State Senator (39th District)

Hon. Leroy Johnson.....State Senator (38th District)

Hon. Wilson Brooks.....State House of Representatives

Hon. Jack Etheridge.....State House of Representatives

Hon. Ralph E. McClelland.....State House of Representatives

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Hon. Harold McCart.....Chairman County Commissioners

Hon. Leon Hay.....Chief Registrar

Hon. T. Ralph Grimes.....Sheriff of Fulton County

Hon. J. C. Daugherty.....Executive Committee

CITY OFFICIALS

Hon. Wm. T. Knight.....Alderman, City of Atlanta

Hon. James W. Vickers.....Alderman, City of Atlanta

Hon. Rufus E. Clements.....Member, School Board

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICIALS

Hon. Carl T. Sutherland.....Personnel Director

Hon. S. W. Graydon.....Sanitary Engineer

Hon. Karl C. Bevins.....Traffic Engineer

Benediction

Sponsored by the All-Citizens Registration Committee

Jesse Hill, Jr., Chairman

Mrs. Ella Mae Brayboy, Coordinator

CITY of COLLEGE PARK
3667 MAIN STREET 767-1537
COLLEGE PARK, GEORGIA

Executive Office

August 11, 1964

Mrs. Ella Mae Brayboy, Secty. & Co-ordinator
All Citizens Registration Committee
334 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Brayboy:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of August 3, extending invitation to participate in the Voter Education Workshop to be held Monday evening, August 17.

I regret my inability to be present on this occasion due to regular meeting of Mayor and Council to be held on this night. An important matter is comming up at this meeting which will require my presence.

In my absence, I would like to take this opportunity to express myself as a public official on the subject that will probably come up for discussion on this occasion.

Let me say that my responsibility as a member of Council is to be always interested in the welfare of our City and to uphold law and order on all occasions; to see that justice prevails in our City and that our City is operated on an economical and impartial manner.

The citizens have a responsibility, and whether as a recently qualified voter or an old voter, they should always take an interest in the civic, religious, and political affairs of our City.

The citizens also have a responsibility to always conduct themselves in a manner becomming a good citizen, taking pride in the maintenance of their home and in their association to see that they do their part in maintaining and upholding dignity of law and order.

Again, let me express my regrets at not being able to attend this meeting and I would appreciate your conveying to the audience this message. If I can be of any assistance, please do not hesitate to call upon me.

Sincerely yours,

Archie C. Hurley, Member
of Council.

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ALL-CITIZENS REGISTRATION COMMITTEE
334 AUBURN AVE., N. E. ATLANTA, GEORGIA
PHONE: 524-1378

Special Minister Vote Crusade

Please return this form to the All-Citizens Registration Committee, c/o SCLC, 334 Auburn Ave., N. E. (Attn: Rev. Middlebrooks, Church Coordinator or Rev. Fred Bennette, Executive Vice Chairman of Committee: For telephone information call 524-1378.

1. I will organize a Registration Committee at once in my church made up as follows:
   Two active laymen and two active laywomen who are church officers of major church organizations, and appoint my church office secretary to serve with the committee.

Name of Church_____Address_____

Name of Pastor_____Phone_____

Church Secretary_____Phone_____

Laywoman_____Address_____Ph._____

Laywoman_____Address_____Ph._____

Layman_____Address_____Ph._____

Layman_____Address_____Ph._____

2. I will assemble at my church no later than 7 PM, at least 25 persons from my congregation and/or church area, on the nights and dates I check below to go to register:

Check Below	Day and Dates	High Schools	Approximate Time People Will Assemble
( )	Monday, April 13th	Howard	
( )	Tuesday, April 14th	Howard	
( )	Wednesday, April, 15th	Price	
( )	Thursday, April 16th	Price	
( )	Monday, April 20th	Archer	
( )	Tuesday, April 21st	Harper	
( )	Wednesday, April 22nd	Washington	
( )	Thursday, April 23rd	Washington	

Hand Delivered 8/18 by Mrs Bragg to WAB

August 26, 1964

Mr. Jesse Hill
Atlanta Life Insurance Company
148 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

RE: VEP 4-28

Dear Jesse:

I enclose herein our VEP check in the amount of $800 representing payment of the balance in full of your budget request of July 2, 1964.in support of a voter education project in Fulton County, Georgia. The total amount of your budget request was $4,293.20, and with this payment, we have actually paid you $4,300.

We honestly feel that an investment of $4,300 is as much as we would want to put into a strictly voter education program at this time, but we will be pleased to consider any proposal which you care to submit involving a voter registration program.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:js
Encl: $800 check
cc: Mrs. Ella Mae Brayboy

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ATLANTA VOTER REGISTRATION RESEARCH
P. O. Box 9182 - Station B
Atlanta, Georgia

No. 669

CITIZENS TRUST COMPANY
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

August 20, 64

Twenty-five and----------00/100 25.00

ATLANTA VOTER REGISTRATION RESEARCH

Fred C. Bennette, Jr.

Endorsement not negotiable

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ATLANTA VOTER REGISTRATION RESEARCH

Petty Cash

JL:
I have requested detailed accounting from Rev. Bennett
J.L.L. 9/12/64

VOUCHER

Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street, N. W., Room 206
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Organization All Citizens Registration Committee Field Reporter Mrs Ella Mae Brayboy

City Atlanta County Fulton State Georgia Date Aug 20, 64

Amount of this expenditure $ 25.00

Specific item description:

Petty Cash

Check No. 669.

Mrs Ella Mae Brayboy

ALL-CITIZENS
REGISTRATION COMMITTEE
334 AUBURN AVENUE, NORTHEAST
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303 - TELEPHONE JACKSON 4-1370

August 21, 1964

Dear Voter:

Congratulations! on becoming one of Atlanta's first-class citizens.

Now, the next step is to become familiar with the voting machine, which you will use in the September 9th primary, and the office-holders or public officials who serve your community; their duties and responsibilities to you.

It is very important that you attend a Voter Education Workshop on Tuesday, August 25, 1964, at St. Paul A.M.E. Church, 1540 Pryor Road, Southwest, 8:00 P.M., Rev. A. R. Smith, pastor.

Looking forward to seeing you there.

Sincerely yours,

Jesse Hill, Jr.

Jesse Hill, Jr., Chairman
All-Citizens Registration Committee

Ella Mae Brayboy

(Mrs.) Ella Mae Brayboy, Secretary and Coordinator

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A VOTELESS PEOPLE IS A HELPLESS PEOPLE

Tuesday, August 25, 1964

8:00 P.M.

Atty. Donald L. Hollowell
Moderator

PROGRAM

Invocation.....Rev. A. R. Smith

Purpose.....Mr. Jesse Hill, Jr.

STATEMENT from PUBLIC OFFICIALS on 'How They Serve This Community'
(3) Minutes

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Honorable William H. Woodford.....Executive Committee

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Honorable Sam Massell.....Vice-Mayor, City of Atlanta

Honorable Douglass Wood.....Alderman, City of Atlanta

Honorable Charlie Leftwich.....Alderman, City of Atlanta

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICIALS

Honorable Jack Delius.....General Manager of Parks, City of Atlanta

Honorable Herbert T. Jenkins.....Chief of Police, City of Atlanta

QUESTIONS and ANSWERS

DEMONSTRATION of VOTING MACHINE.....Mr. George Samples

Benediction

Sponsored by

Atlanta Civic Council
**
Mr. Benny T. Smith, President

Carver Homes Tenants Council

**

Mr. Earnest Brown, President

VEP 4-28
$800.00

INTEROFFICE REQUEST FOR PAYMENT FORM

Please pay the sum of: EIGHT HUNDRED AND 00/100 DOLLARS ($800.00)

TO: The All Citizens Registration Committee
(Name)

(Address)
Atlanta, Georgia

(City and state)

Reason for payment: Final installment for voter education program.

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If departmental or special budget, specify:

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Payment is general operations, _____ project, expense.

Date 8/26/ 64, 19

Requested by: Jesse Hill, Chairman

Approved: Wiley A. Branton
Project Director

August 27, 1964

Mr. Jesse Hill, Chairman
All Citizens Registration Committee
148 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Re: VEP 4-28

Dear Mr. Hill:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter and budget proposal of August 28, 1964, in which you seek a grant in the amount of $ 2,100.00 in support of a crash registration program during the period August 31 through September 14, 1964.

We regret to learn that there apparently will be no neighborhood registration prior to the September 14th deadline. We know that you could get many more registered through neighborhood registration.

Your request is being approved in full in order that you can exert maximum effort during this two week campaign. Our check in the sum of $ 2,100.00 representing payment of this supplemental grant in full is enclosed. All proceeds from this check should be used entirely for actual registration efforts as we have already given you separate funds for the voter education programs. Any monies remaining on hand after the September 14 deadline may be used for voter education programs.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB/p
Encl:

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Jesse Hill, Jr., Dr. C. A. Bacote, Co-Chairmen

ALL-CITIZENS
REGISTRATION COMMITTEE

236 AUBURN AVENUE, NORTHEAST
ROOM 211 ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA JACKSON 1-3928

August 28, 1964

Atty. Wiley Branton, Director
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Atty. Branton:

Thanks very much for the encouragement and vote of confidence given the All-Citizenship Registration Committee and Mrs. E. M. Brayboy, our Coordinator. This is greatly appreciated in view of the inadequacy of some of our reporting.

We are now compiling our final narrative and financial report of the Educational Workshop Program.

We have attached our proposal for a Crash Voter Registration Program for the immediate period of August 31st through September 14th, the books closing date for Georgia for voting in the Presidential Election.

I will personally direct this two-week campaign with the aid of Mrs. Brayboy, who can blend in with the related educational program, and Rev. Bennett.

Very truly yours,

Jesse Hill

Jesse Hill, Jr.
Chairman

JHJR:jfh

VEP 4-28

A VOTELESS PEOPLE IS A HELPLESS PEOPLE

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Crash Voter Registration
Program Fulton County
August 31st Through September 14th

This program is designed to produce maximum results in view of our failure to secure Neighborhood Registration. This coming election is too important for us not to push voter registration with or without neighborhood registration.

We have decided to concentrate on Public Housing Projects and concentrated private apartment areas, where door to door canvassing is faciliated.

We intend to step up voter registration publicity by radio, newspapers, handbills, placards, and school children letters to their parents.

In order to control expense of the campaign effort we propose to have a certified list of canvassers from all sections, who we will pay $ .25 per person canvassed and actually taken to the Courthouse to register.

We propose the following:

1.	Per Head Voter Budget 2000 @ $.25 each.	$500.00
2.	Publicity Radio and Newspaper, Most will be free save several newspaper ads @ about $200.00; $50.00 will be for luncheon meeting with press to secure free coverage.	250.00
3.	Printed matter and postage Placards, Circulars and Letters	500.00
4.	Office Telephones $50.00, Clerk @ $50.00 per week, Rent $50.00 and supplies $50.00	250.00
5.	Transportation of Citizens to Courthouse	200.00
6.	Gasoline for Volunteers	100.00
7.	Staff 4 Women Field Workers @ $25.00 per week	200.00
8.	Direction and Supervision Salary Expense Allowance Only Rev. Bennett & Mrs. Brayboy @ $25.00 per week	 -0- 100.00
	Total	$2,100.00

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$ 2,100.00

INTEROFFICE REQUEST FOR PAYMENT FORM

Please pay the sum of: TWO THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS($ 2,100.00)

TO: ALL CITIZENS REGISTRATION COMMITTEE
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(Address)

Atlanta 3, Ga.
(City and state)

Reason for payment: Supplemental grant for crash two week registration program in Atlanta from Aug. 31 thru Sept. 14, 1964.

If departmental or special budget, specify: VEP 4-28

Payment is general operations, VEP 4-28 project, expense.

Date August 29, 1964 19____

Requested by: Jesse Hill

Approved: [signature]
VEP Director

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Negro Students Refused Admission

Overcrowded Whitefoord School Contrast To Biased Kirkwood

By GEORGE M. COLEMAN
(World's City Editor)

A picture of how so-called token desegregation is working in Atlanta can be readily seen in the sharp contrasts between Kirkwood Elementary School in a changing area in Northeast Atlanta where Negroes can't even enter the building, and Whitefoord Elementary School some four miles away where Negroes can't be accepted because there simply isn't enough room for those already assigned there.

Controversies have arisen repeatedly in the city over relieving crowded conditions, but this rural spand of Atlanta, lying quietly in Dekalb County, apparently has the most acute need for change in the entire city, and with little seemingly being done to guarantee an adequate education for growing Negro children who live there.

Take the Kirkwood School, located in a beautiful resident neighborhood just off Boulevard, S. E. where additions are being made on a building that is almost empty.

Take Whitefoord Elementary School, located down Boulevard about four miles at the corner of Whitefoord Avenue ..... old, unpainted — with children and parents standing in an overcrowded hallway, trying to get space in the building, one of the three wooden portable structures or a nearby church where additional classes are being held.

CHANGING AREA

The Kirkwood School is located in a changing area, with the usual for sale signs denoting homes still owned by whites. Several parents in the area said that the streets they live on are now one half to three fourths Negro in population.

Some of these streets are located less than a block from he elementary school, which is the only one in the general area.

Negroes Wednesday were seen on lawns of houses estimated to be more than $15,000 in value. Many of them had just returned from a third straight morning of picketing which thus far has not brought about any visable relief from the Atlanta Board of Education.

Five Atlanta white plain clothes officers were seen standing with solemn expresses on the steps of the school, even after the pickets

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Intensive Voter Drive Launched

The Fulton County Registrar's office will remain open Monday through Saturday, from 8:30 a. m. to 5 p. m. until the September 14 deadline, it was reported Wednesday.

Through the efforts of the All - Citizens Registration Committee, voter registration at the Courthouse will be carried out one night — September 10 — until 9 o'clock. Chairman Jesse Hill, Jr., reported that a number of groups are cooperating with the registration effort to get as many persons on the books as possible before the deadline — the last date to qualify for the November 3 general election.

The registration committee received a big boost Monday night when representatives of local chapters of national sororities agreed to join forces with the committee in an all - out crash campaign during the next two weeks. The members of local chapters of Alppha Kappa Alpha, Delta Sigma Theta, Sigma Gamma Rho and Zeta Phi Beta Sororities wee represented on the registration steering committee by Mrs. Lois B. Moreland, Mrs. Effie Brooks, Mrs. Winifred Jones and Mrs. Rebecca Gaillard. In addition to the sororities, representatives of the Postal Alliance, the Woemn's Auxiliary and agents of Negro life insurance companies in Atlanta pledged active support.

Atlanta Negro voter registration has been increased past 60,000, despite the loss of some 15,000 Negro registered voters due to the state purge law, according to the Registration Committee.

The East Atlanta affiliate of the committee, under the leadership of Mrs. Johnnie W. Brown, is reportedly taking full advantage of the limited neighborhood and night registration in DeKalb County.

know-how in wedding planning,

— TAKE SOMEONE TO REGISTER TO VOTE —

ATTENTION! Parents of School Children

YOUR SON OR DAUGHTER BROUGHT HOME THE LETTER BELOW LAST WEEK. PLEASE COMPLETE THE DETACHABLE LOWER HALF AS INDICATED TO BE RETURNED BY YOUR CHILD TO SCHOOL.

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Dear Parent (s),

I am not old enough to vote, but you are. Please register and vote for our family. On November 3rd people will choose between Pres. Johnson and Sen. Goldwater, this is said to be the most important election in history for Negroes.

Please complete the form below so that I can return it to school.

You can register to vote Monday through Saturday from 9:30 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. at the Fulton County Courthouse. The All-Citizens Registration Committee, Jesse Hill, Jr., Chairman, will provide you free transportation.

The deadline for registering is September 14th, the last Saturday is September 12th.

Love Your Child

P. S. — Be sure to go out and Vote Sept. 9th if you are already registered.

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Please complete without delay and let your son or daughter return it to school immediately.

Many names have been dropped or purged from the voter list during the past two years, some 15,000 Negroes have been dropped. Play it safe, Go Register to Vote.

PARENTS

NAME .....

ADDRESS ..... PHONE .....

check here

( )—1. We (I) are sure that we are all registered voters.

( )—2. We would like to play it safe and go to the Courthouse to make sure.

( )—3. We would like to have free transportation to the Courthouse.

( )—4. We would like to go register, Day of Week .....
Time of Day

( )—5. We will urge our friends and neighbors to also go to register.

( )—6. We would like to volunteer to help get others registered before September 14th.

— TAKE SOMEONE TO REGISTER TO VOTE —

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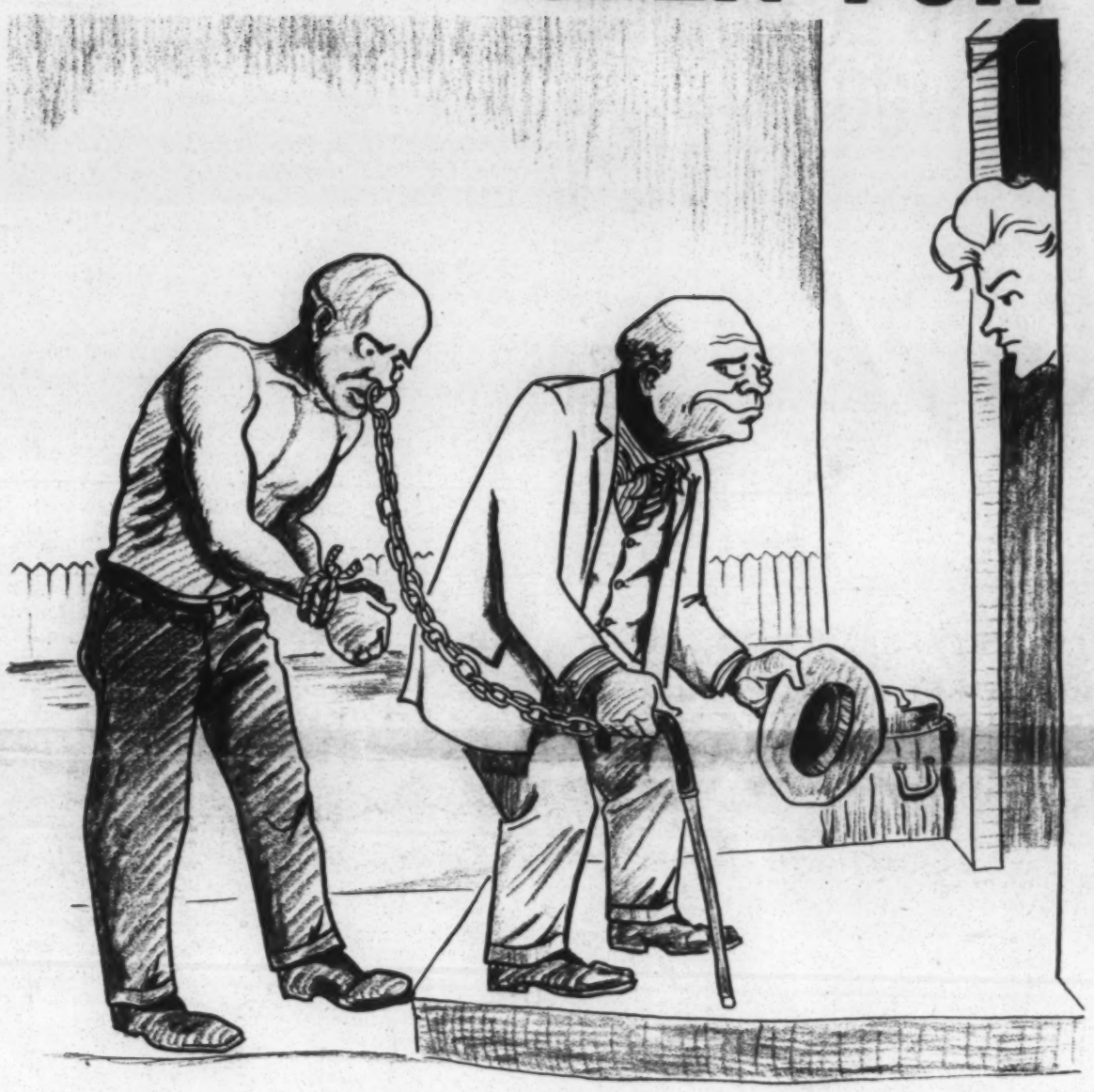

"M'AM, WOULD YOU PLEASE TELL MISTER WEBB I'M HERE TO DELIVER THE NEGRO VOTE."

PYE EXPECTED TO PLACE THIRD

BY CHARLES A. BLACK

Attorney Donald L. Hollowell is expected to win an upset first-ballot victory over incumbent Fulton County Superior Court Judge Durwood T. Pye and Paul Webb, Jr. Tuesday, September 9 in the Democratic Primary. As voters throughout the county begin to view contentions that Hollowell cannot win as "a smoke screen to hide personal commitments" to another candidate, statistical and factual analyses are coming to the fore, which strongly indicate a probable first ballot victory for the noted civil rights lawyer.

A strong contributing factor in what appears to be a pending victory for Hollowell is the existence of two primaries on September 9. There will be a Democratic Primary and a Repbulican Primary on that day, and a voter must choose to vote in one or the other - He cannot vote in both primaries.

The Republican Primary will have no attraction to Negro voters since there are no contested races in that primary of real interest to Negroes. It follows, therefore, that virtually every Negro who votes will cast his vote in the Democratic Primary where he will find the interesting contests. Three Negroes' names appear on the Democratic ballot. State Senator LeRoy Johnson is seeking re-election in the 38th District, Attorney Horace T. Ward is seeking to join Johnson on Capitol Hill as the Senator from the 39th District, and Attorney Hollowell is vying for the Fulton County Superior Court judgeship.

On the other hand, the Republican ballot will attract thousands of segregationists and

INQUIRER ENDORSEMENTS IN ELECTION EXTRA

Goldwater sympathizers. Dr. John Savage and Jim O'Callaghan, both strong Goldwater supporters, are fighting out to win the chance to appose 5th District Congressman Charles L. Weltner in the General Election. Savage, O'Callaghan and Pye will be drawing from the same group of an estimated 45,000 hard-core segregationist, reactionary voters.

But these voters cannot vote for Pye and Savage or O'Callaghan. If they vote in the Savage - O'Callaghan race on the Republican ticket, they cannot vote for Pye on the De-

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In Perry Homes Area

HUNDREDS OF RESIDENTS VACCINATED FOR TYPHOID AS SEWERS GO UNCHECKED

BY JONDELLE JOHNSON

Rumors of a Typhoid epidemic in the Perry Homes area have not been confirmed by Fulton County Health officials. Residents of the area reported that an epidemic of Typhoid had broken out and the Health department was conducting mass immunizations.

Dr. J.F. Hackney, director of the Fulton County Health Department, told the Inquirer that only one child with fever was diagnosed as having typhoid by Grady Hospital but later this diagnosis was changed to some type of intestinal infection. Final diagnosis is expected later in the week which will determine the exact nature of the child's illness, according to Dr. Hackney. He also said that some 500 People who have had contact with the family involved have received immunizations against typhoid although this has not been confirmed as the illness involved. "We can't take any chances," Dr. Hackney said.

The Perry Homes area is near the Carver Hills Community which is plagued with faulty sewers as reported in last week's Inquirer. Carver Hills residents said that waste materials back-up in their bath tubs whenever the commodes are flushed. Most of the time this waste is standing and floors and ceilings stay damp from the

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Negroes Expected To Ignore Walden Letter, Webb Big Money

BORDERS, OTHERS ALSO SEND LETTER

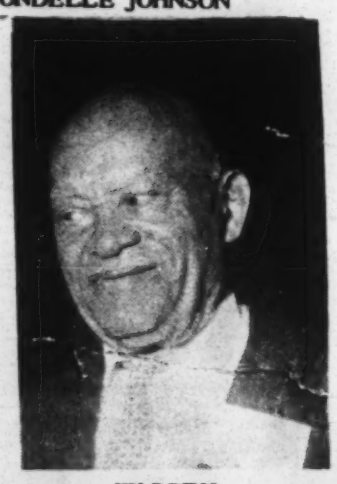
BY JONDELLE JOHNSON

Negro civic leaders are up in arms, almost to a man, over a letter sent by Judge A.T. Walden to Fulton County voters on August 29th and another letter signed by Rev. William H. Borders, Dr. Frank Cunningham, Rev. R. T. Bussey, Attorney, R. P. Herndon and Mr. Robert Norwood endorsing Paul Webb for the position of Fulton Superior Court Judge in the September 9th Democratic Primary. This is the same position sought by militant civil rights attorney, Donald L. Hollowell.

The overwhelming majority of Negro leaders have called for a 100% solid vote for Hollowell. All of the Negro bishops, all Negro Ministerial organizations, The Empire Real Estate Board, civic leaders Jesse Hill, Jr., Q.V. Williamson, Senator Leroy Johnson, Attorney Horace Ward, Dr. B.E. Mays, Dr. Tilman Cothran and Summit Conference chairmen Clarence Coleman and Rev. Samuel Williams are among Hollowell's staunch endorsers.

Municipal Ad Hoc Judge A. T. Walden and Rev. W. H. Borders are reported to be leaders in the heavily-financed effort for Paul Webb Jr. against Hollowell in the Negro Community.

Mr. Robert Dobbs, chairman of the powerful Northwest Registration Committee, vehemently deplored the circulation of the Walden letter. The Northwest Committee repre-



WALDEN

Register for General Election, Sept. 9-14

PARENTS WAGE EFFECTIVE BOYCOTT OF JR. HIGH; OTHERS SEEK ENTRANCE FOR KIDS AT KIRKWOOD

BY CHARLES A. BLACK

Parents of students assigned to the renovated Smith-Hughes building, now Central Junior High School, waged a highly successful three-day boycott of the downtown school this week. An estimated two-thirds of the 1200 students expected to enroll in the school respected the parent's picket line and either stayed at home or attended one of the two specially established "freedom schools."

According to the Central Jr. High principal, Mr. Harper, only about 500 students showed up for the first day of school and only slightly more on the following two days. Mrs. Dorothy Bolden, who leads the parent protest group, hailed the boycott as a tremendous success.

Boycotting students, all eighty graders, willingly attended the freedom schools where they learned a bit of Negro history and other important lessons.

Parents filed formal complaints with the school board for use of the school to "resegregate" Negro students.

Meanwhile in the Kirkwood area, parents sought to enroll their children in the all-white Kirkwood Elementary School without success and then picketed that school. These parents contended that the Kirkwood school was closer to their homes than the all-Negro Whiteford Elementary school which is over-crowded; the Kirkwood school was some 750 students below capacity while the Whiteford school was some 675 students above capacity, and that they were being discriminated against in violation of the 1964 Civil Rights Law.

Parents complain of the use of mobile units at Whiteford and "three children sitting in one chair." They also complain of the "unnecessary economic burden" of public transportation.

Two of the parents, Mrs. Thelma Maddox and Mrs. Pauline Phillips, have sent letters to Dr. Letson asking confirmation of reports that three classrooms have been boarded up for lack of students at Kirkwood, Inquirer sources reveal.

NAACP executive secretary Albert R. Sampson was arrested Monday at the all-white school when he sought to enter with a parent and her child in defiance of a police order not to do so.

At least two parents have reported that their young children have gotten lost trying to find their way home from the far-distanced Negro elementary school.

NAACP legal defense at-

SNCC WORKER FACES GA. ELECTRIC CHAIR

Albany, Georgia -- A field secretary from the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC) faces the electric chair for the second time in less than a year.

24-year-old Donald Harris, Director of SNCC's Southwest Georgia Projects, faces two charges of "insurrection" here, capitol offenses in Georgia.

This is the second time Harris has faced insurrection charges and the death penalty because of his anti-segregation activities. On August 8, 1963, Harris and three other SNCC workers were jailed in nearby Americus and held behind bars for 68 days until a three-judge federal panel ruled the law unconstitutional.

The three were held without bail, since capitol offenses are not bailable in Georgia.

The current outstanding warrant against Harris stems from charges he initiated a riot here after the slaying of a mentally retarded Negro youth of policemen August 15.

So far, he has escaped arrest on the charges. However, the Rev. Samuel B. Wells, a local minister active in the Albany movement, was arrested on similar charges and has been in jail under $5,000.00 since August 18.

The insurrection charge, Georgia Code 26 - 902, has been ruled unconstitutional twice; once in 1937 by the United States Supreme Court and in 1963 by the three-judge panel that set Harris and his co-workers free. Harris and Wells are charged with "attempting to incite insurrection" and "circulating insurrectionary matter."

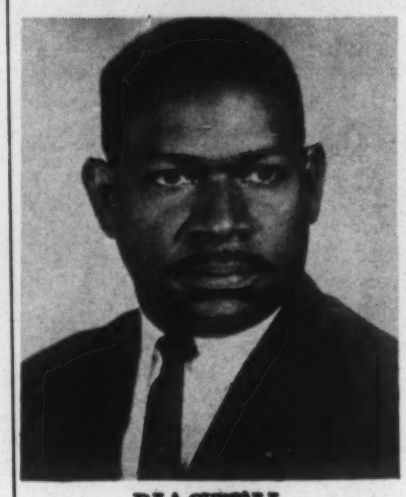
A third Negro, Nick Loukeris, was released from jail August 25 when a judge ruled there was insufficient evidence against him.

On August 26, United States District Judge J. Robert Elliot denied a petition by Rev. Wells' attorney, C.B. King of Albany, to remove the minister's case to federal court.

A week ago Judge Elliot ruled that Albany policemen must permit peaceful parades and protest marches here. Elliot's ruling came at the direction of the U.S. Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals two years after civil rights leaders filed suit against city officials here.

The Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee has been conducting voter registration drives in Southwest Georgia since 1961.

Joins King's SCLC Staff



BLACKWELL

Randolph T. Blackwell, a civil rights worker for the past 13 years, has joined the staff of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference in Atlanta and will serve as Program Coordinator for the organization. He formerly was associated with the Voter Education Project in Atlanta before becoming a full time staff member of SCLC.

Born in Greensboro, North Carolina, Mr. Blackwell brings to SCLC a rich and varied background in the social sciences, law and business and economics. He received a B.S. degree in Sociology from North Carolina A&T College in 1949, and was graduated from Howard University School of Law in 1953. Additionally he has studied at Syracuse and American Universities.

The 27-year-old executive formerly taught at Winston-Salem Teacher's College and at Alabama A&M College. He is credited with being author and co-author of four books. They are: Leadership Training Handbook, 1955, A&M College; Public School Law -- Alabama Cases and Materials, 1956, A&M College, Normal, Alabama; Principles of Economics, 1958, Pitman Publishing Co., New York, N.Y.; and College Business Law, 1960, Pitman Publishing Co., New York, N. Y.

Besides these, he has also written and had published several articles in the related fields of his formal training.

Mr. Blackwell is married to the former Elizabeth Knox of Winston-Salem, North Carolina, and they are the parents of one child, a daughter, Blanche, age six.

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Moving of London church to U. S. planned.

Ranger 7 big news in European papers.

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September 11, 1964

Attorney Wiley Branton, Director
Voter Education Project
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Branton:

The purpose of this letter is to certify the salary changes for Mrs. Ella Mae Brayboy, Coordinator of our Voter Education Program. The original salary agreed upon for the coordinator was $75.00 weekly instead of the $65.00 indicated in the original grant proposal. However, after one week's experience it was obvious that the 15 to 16 hour day of our coordinator, created an expense of $25.00 to $35.00 per week in the upkeep of her home duties which she abandoned.

After the first week, while I was in Philadelphia, the Committee approved a $10.00 a week increase to $85.00 for the Coordinator. When I returned to Atlanta two weeks later, the Committee approved my recommendation that the salary be increased to $100.00 per week.

Respectfully submitted,

Jesse Hill Jr.

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WARD WINS SENATE RACE; NEGROES MISS BIG CHANCE TO ELECT HOLLOWELL JUDGE

Parents Blame Police, Faculty For West Fulton Disorders

BY CHARLES A. BLACK

A number of parents of Negro students attending West Fulton High School have called the Inquirer to blame Atlanta policemen and West Fulton faculty members for the recent racial disorders at the school which is now nearly half-Negro, half-white.

Parents calling charged that the attitude of some of the teachers toward the Negro students has encouraged white students to strike out against the Negro students. Reports have been received that some teachers have shown open disdain for the Negroes and have not encouraged the white students to accept their presence. Some teachers are said to be segregating the students in the classrooms and white students are openly calling the newcomers "Nigger."

An incident of several football players beating a Negro in the presence of their coach, who allegedly attacked a photographer for attempting to photograph the occurance, was also reported. The coach is said

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Kids Living Across From DeKalb School Go 38 Miles To Henry School

Mrs. Irene Armstrong, who was in the news a few months ago when her 13-year-old son was shot four times by a white man, John Peters, in DeKalb County, is continuing to have her problems.-

The troubled mother gave birth to her twelfth child a month ago. She has eight children who must travel 38 1/2 miles round-trip to attend a school in Henry County where they live, although there is a school across the street in DeKalb County.

For the past two terms Mrs. Armstrong has sought to get her children in the DeKalb school but has been told that she would have to pay $280/year for each child (or $2240/year for the eight children) to attend the school across the street. She is, of course, unable to meet this cost.

She says that she wants to begin looking for work again soon, but won't be able to do so if she must continue to get her children dressed and fed by 6:30 each morning to catch a school bus which they often miss because of the early hour.

Mrs. Armonstrong says that both the school across from her and the one 19 1/4 miles away are all-Negro schools; but there is also an all-white elementary school in her county (Henry) just 2 miles away from which her children have been turned away.

To add to her troubles, her son Ira who was shot on the eve of Mother's Day, losing one eye, has a bullet on his head which has reportedly moved nearer his brain. The mother is preparing to file a damage suit against Peters who was freed by a DeKalb Grand Jury "no bill" ruling. She thinks Peters should at least be made to share the hospital bill for her permanently-disabled son.

In Carver Hills

"Who Is Responsible For Stopped-Up Sewers?" Parents Ask As Fevers Mount

BY JONDELLE JOHNSON

Questions of who is responsible for stopped-up sewers and the health of the Carver Hills community are being asked by residents of the entire city of Atlanta. Calls to the Inquirer all question the responsibility of certain agencies to clear up the situation. Reports of a typhoid epidemic in the general area were reported last week and mass immunizations were conducted.

Dr. J.F. Hackney, director of the Fulton County Health Department, told the Inquirer that only one child in the Perry Homes area suffered with fever that has definitely been diagnoised as being "in the dysentery group but not specifically typhoid." However, Dr. Hackney said that immunizations of some 500 people are continuing because children play in an open stream in the area which might prove harmful.

Homeowners of Carver Hills are anxiously awaiting some remedy to the situation. Toilets are still stopped up, bath tubs are still full of excretion, walls are still swollen and ruined by the overflow and people are still running fevers.

One mother said, "while the Health Department says they can't do anything about it, the City Construction Department says its the Plumbing Inspector's duty and the FHA says there is nothing they can do, me and my two children are running temperatures daily. I wonder where it all will end." Another couple stated that they have spent a large amount of money on their home but feel that they must let it go for the benefit of their health.

Fears are rampart in the community that a typhoid epidemic will really catch on because of the everpresent filth. Many are wondering how long the buck will be passed by various agencies before something is done about the sewers.

Congratulations, Senator!

Attorney Horace T. Ward is congratulated above by Attorney Donald L. Hollowell and Senator Leroy Johnson for defeating Senator Oby T. Brewer for the Democratic nomination as 39th District senator. Ward must face a Republican candidate in the November 3rd General Election. Johnson was nominated for re-election; Hollowell lost a strong bid for Superior Court Judge.

BY CHARLES A. BLACK

Cite Poor Turnout, Polling Irregularities

Over 30,000 Negroes Fail to Vote

Negro voters in Fulton County missed an apparent "once-in-a-lifetime" opportunity to elect a Negro Superior Court Judge in Fulton County Wednesday by staying at home. With Negro voting at an all-time low of less than 50%, Attorney Donald L. Hollowell lost his strong bid for Durwood T. Pye's seat in a three-man race which casted Pye and second-place candidate Paul Webb, Jr. in a run-off campaign.

They did, however, nominate a second Negro for State Senator.

Although many Negro voters simply stayed at home, it is estimated that hundreds, if not thousands, of Negro voters were lost because of polling irregularities during key hours at a large number of predominantly-Negro precincts.

Numerous instances of machine break-downs, mix-ups of registration books and candidates' names on the wrong machines, were found to cause early-morning voters and others who tired of waiting for repairs to go home or to their jobs without getting to vote.

Voters living in the 39th District were found to be listed on the books for the 38th District and five of six voting machines at BTW High School in the 38th District were found to contain the names of the 39th District Senatorial candidates rather than the 38th. This condition existed from the 7:00 a.m. opening time until 8:15 a.m., after hundreds of potential voters had to leave for work.

With all votes counted, segregationist Judge Durwood T. Pye polled 39,982 votes followed by Webb with 25,991 and Hollowell with 20,696. Since Pye failed to get a majority of all votes casted , he must face Webb in a run-off two weeks hence.

In the 39th District Senate race, however, young Attorney Horace T. Ward pulled an upset victory over incumbent Senator Oby T. Brewer, Sr. by a margin of 4,693 to 3,376 votes. It is significant that white voters out number Negro voters in the district by 2,000. Ward will face a relatively unknown white Republican opponent in the general election on November 3rd.

Commenting on his surprise victory, Ward told the Inquirer,

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Charge Austell Police Attack, Brutalize Woman

BY JONDELLE JOHNSON

An Austell, Georgia Negro woman levied serious charges against Austell police officers in what she dexcribed as "inredible savagery and uncalled for brutality." The Austell chief of police, Kirby, denied that his officers committed brutality but on the contrary, suffered injuries inflicted by the woman.

Mrs. Lillie Mae Alexander charges that she had just taken a friend home and was driving down Bowden Road when she noticed a police car blocking the road. She said she backed up into a side street and was blocked by the police car again. Then the police car "eased by her" at which time she pulled back in Bowden Road and proceeded on her way.

LILLIE MAE ALEXANDER

The victim alleges that the police car overtook her again and pulled her to the side and asked her why she was following them. When she denied this, Mrs. Alexander said, the officers demanded that she get in their car. She said she answered, "For what? I haven't done anything." At this point, they grabbed her—one held both arms — one held her feet — and threw her in the squad car. In her own words, "they handled me like a steer going to market."

After the officers got her to jail, Mrs. Alexander said one of the officers she identified as Captain C.D. Hanby, shoved her in the door and hit her over the eye. Here is the victim's version, "When he hit me with his fist, I saw stars and hit the floor. When I came to I felt around until I sat in a chair. Captain Hanby told me 'get up and get in the cell'. I told him I wasn't going anywhere and when the Captain balled up his fist again I picked up a chair for protection. "An officer on the desk, jumped up and told me, 'gal, put that chair down' I informed them that I wasn't going to let them gang-up on me. The officer that came from behind the desk held both of my arms behind my back while the Captain hit me again. Then, the whole bunch of them got a running start and RAMMED me into the wall." Mrs. Alexander said she was released the next morning between 5 and 5:30 A.M. under $565.00 property bond.

The mayor, who is also the town's doctor, treated her wounds the day she was released and gave her medications to releive the pain. She exhibited swollen ankles, black eyes, bruised arms and face and her right arm was in a sling.

Chief Kirby said there was nothing to Mrs. Alexander's statements, when the Inquirer contacted him. He said that she made a shambles out of his office, broke his "$24.00 ash tray, tore the shirt off an officer, plus she was drunk." He also said that Mrs. Alexander told the Judge last week in court that she knocked down two of his officers and he didn't appreciate that. "To me, she is a very rude person and got on the road drunk, "the chief said. He also said he was informed that she had a concealed weapon in her bosom and expressed dissatisfaction that she was not charged on that offense.

The police chief listed the

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Claim Hoke Smith Segregates Testing

Prospective students of the Hoke-Smith technical School are registering complaints with the Atlanta Inquirer that Aptitude Tests given before admittance are totally segregated. One applicant stated that every person tested on the day she reported was a Negro, although there had been several white applicants present on the first day she first applied.

Mr. Milton Earnest, registrar of the Hoke - Smith school, stated the the procedure is purely accidental and not done purposely. He contends that on some days the group tested is mixed and on other days it is all-Negro. The business section of the school has the heaviest number of applicants and this may account for the totally segregated groups tested, according to the registrar.

Some 40 notices were sent out to applicants to report for tests on September 4, 1964 and only 22 turned up. He was of the opinion that the 18 applicants that did not respond to the notice, may have been white since the 22 who did were Negro.

However a large number of applicants said that the groups tested when they reported were totally segregated. Other complaints are that after taking the test, no notification is given of test results and too many Negro applicants are refused admittance to the school. Applicants are told, however, that they will be notified by mail if they are accepted and if they are not.

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WARD WINS SENATE RACE

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36, 379 to 22,287 in terms of what was expected. It is believed that a Negro "front-lash" counter-acted the so-called "white backlash" to give Weltner the victory. He will face Republican Jim O'Callaghan in November.

Of his victory, Weltner told the INQUIRER he was "very grateful for all of my constituents who went to the polls to vote for me. I will continue to work hard for all the people in my district."

Negro votes were also crucial in the victories for Coggins, Salome, Wesberry, and Charlie Brown. They also placed Dan Duke in a run-off with Woodrow Tucker for the criminal judgeship.

Senator Johnson commented on his easy win and Ward's victory to The Inquirer: "Ward will add a great deal of stature to the delegation. His political philosophy, his soberness and his responsible approach will be of great benefit to the people of Fulton County. I am not surprised at the outcome, Horace worked hard and took his campaign seriously.

"My election is a vote of confidence in my leadership by the people of the 38th District. I shall continue to represent all the people in the district and protect the rights of all."

Attorney Hollowell's statement gave deep insights into the election: "I wish to thank all the voters who went to the polls in my behalf; and, while we were unsuccessful in winning the office we sought, I feel that our efforts were extended to the best of our abi-

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All-Citizens Registration Committee
236 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Jesse Hill, Jr., Chairman

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MEMO TO Attention: V E P DATE Sept. 14th 1964

FROM Jesse Hill, Jr.

SUBJECT Tear Sheets For Newspaper Ads

☐ SEE ATTACHED SHEETS

I have requested tear sheets for newspaper Ads placed in the Atlanta Daily World and the Atlanta Inquirer. Both papers have generously supported the registration committee even when funds have not been available. However, these Ads had to be paid for.

Please note the Atlanta Daily World carried one of our Ads and incorrectly labeled it a political Ad, we requested a correction and explanation. Explanation is attached.

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BY _____

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IF THE ORIGINAL LETTER HAS BEEN MISPLACED OR LOST, CLIP THIS ONE BELOW AND LET YOUR CHILD RETURN IT TO SCHOOL, OR MAIL TO: ALL-CITIZENS REGISTRATION COMMITTEE.

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Dear Parent (s),

I am not old enough to vote, but you are. Please register and vote for our family. On November 3rd people will choose between Pres. Johnson and Sen. Goldwater, this is said to be the most important election in history for Negroes.

Please complete the form below so that I can return it to school.

You can register to vote Monday through Saturday from 9:30 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. at the Fulton County Courthouse. The All-Citizens Registration Committee, Jesse Hill, Jr., Chairman, will provide you free transportation.

The deadline for registering is September 14th, the last Saturday is September 12th.

Love Your Child

P. S. — Be sure to go out and Vote Sept. 9th if you are already registered.

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Please complete without delay and let your son or daughter return it to school immediately.

Many names have been dropped or purged from the voter list during the past two years, some 15,000 Negroes have been dropped. Play it safe, Go Register to Vote.

PARENTS

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ADDRESS ..... PHONE .....

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( )—1. We (I) are sure that we are all registered voters.

( )—2. We would like to play it safe and go to the Courthouse to make sure.

( )—3. We would like to have free transportation to the Courthouse.

( )—4. We would like to go register, Day of Week .....
Time of Day

( )—5. We will urge our friends and neighbors to also go to register.

( )—6. We would like to volunteer to help get others registered before September 14th.

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Dear Sir:

We regret that the words Political advertising appeared above your ad on Sept. 10th. The mechanical department erroneously mistook this for a political ad after having used that term in so many ads this week, prior to the September Primaries.

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Sincerely yours,

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ALL-CITIZENS REGISTRATION COMMITTEE

Report Of Special Two-Week Crash Voter Registration Program

As indicated by attached news Article #1 the All-Citizens Registration Committee launched a "Two-Week Crash Voter Registration Drive," for new voters.

In order to give intensity and vitality to the drive we were able to recruit canvassers from the membership of the local graduate sororities, Alpha Kappa Alpha, Delta Sigma Theta, Sigma Gamma Rho and Zeta Phi Beta. In addition, the local branch of the Postal Alliance and their Women's Auxiliary also joined in the drive. The participation of these groups was of great importance because most of the regular voter registration leaders and workers were consumed with partisan primary election politics.

The Committee decided on a plan to concentrate on Public Housing Projects and dense settlements of private apartment (See attached survey of private developments). The Committee summoned to a dinner meeting the Managers of the Housing Projects, Tenant Presidents, the Social Action Chairman of the Sororities, the Postal Alliance and Representatives of the Press.

We assigned specific private apartment areas to the sororities and postal workers. The Public Housing Project Managers and Tenant Association Presidents agreed to spearhead efforts in their areas.

We set up our office headquarters at 236 Auburn Avenue. We provided free transportation for groups of five or more persons originally then we reduced the minimum to 3 persons during the last week before the Sept. 14th deadline.

We publicized the drive through newspapers, radio, placards, handbills, and a Special Project of School Children Letters to Parents. (Copies are attached)

In order to provide transportation we rented two station wagons, received a special taxi-cab discount arrangement from the Red Top Taxicab Company and the University Car For Hire, in addition on two occasions we used buses.

We have attached a special report on our Child Letter Project.

We estimate that our "Two-Week Crash Drive" netted 1350 new Negro registered voters in Atlanta. The exact registration figures are not available. One problem we faced in registration at the Courthouse is that a number of Negroes were rejected because they failed the literacy test. We received several charges of a type of hostility on the part of one deputy registrar. We investigated the case and watched that particular registrar very closely. Following our investigation we received no more reports of failures by her.

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Jesse Hill, Jr., Dr. C. A. Bacote, Co-Chairmen

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Dear Mr. Branton:

On behalf of the citizens of Atlanta, Fulton and DeKalb Counties, of the State of Georgia we wish to thank the Voter Education Project for the financial support you have given voter education and registration in our community. Without your support we could not have increased voter registration among Negroes in Atlanta from some 34,000 in 1960 to over 62,000 in 1964, with a purge of some 15,000 Negro voters, reducing the potential total from 77,000 to the present 62,000.

Reports are enclosed herewith.

Sincerely yours,

Jesse Hill, Jr.
Chairman

JHJr:b
Enclosures

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RE: VEP 4-28

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Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

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PROSPECTUS FOR ATLANTA VOTER REGISTRATION DRIVE

JULY 1st to SEPTEMBER 15th

A few days ago Governor Carl E. Sanders signed into law a new Election Code for the State of Georgia. Under the old Georgia Code voter registration books are closed 6 months before elections. Under the new Code, the books are closed only 50 days before elections. This action reopened the books in Atlanta until July 20th for the Primary; and until September 14th for the Fall Presidential Election.

In order to take advantage of this additional time we have launched a Crash Voter Registration Drive.

I. Areas of Concentration

We intend to carry our drive throughout Fulton County and Ward II of DeKalb County.

AREA	COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP
South Atlanta	Bennie T. Smith Ernest Brown L. D. Simon
East Atlanta	Mrs. J. W. Brown Miss Johnnie Brown Clinton Batom
N. East Atlanta (DeKalb 2nd Ward)	Rev. E. L. Thomas Mr. E. J. Shepherd Miss Christine Hurt Samuel Sheats Miss Ann Caudle
N. W. Atlanta (Bankhead Area)	Charles Hart
N. W. Atlanta (Mid Westside)	Mrs. Ella Mae Brayboy Mr. Eddie Page Mrs. Dorothy Bolden Thompson Mrs. Corine Tillman
N. W. Atlanta (Far Westside)	Mr. Otelius Shelman Mr. Robert Dobbs
N. W. Atlanta (West Westside)	Mr. Robert Jackson Mrs. Harvey Johnson Mrs. Lois Moreland

II. P. T. A. Resources

Mrs. Carolyn D. Yancey will continue to coordinate further PTA volunteers who will canvass their communities.

III. Deputy Registrars

We have some 90 experienced Deputy Registrars, who are also potential voter registration leaders in their communities.

IV. We have a commitment from Rev. E. H. Dorsey, President of the Baptist Ministers Union, to vigorously lead our church area activity.

He will have the cooperation of key ministers of "Operation Breadbasket" and interdenominational group devoted to securing better job opportunities for Negroes.

V. Election Incentive

For the first time we have the added interest of election date pending during our drive.

BUDGET

Campaign Director	$ 750.00
Area Workers (4X$25.00 Per Week, 10 Weeks)	1,000.00
Transportation (Busses, 10 Nights @ $25.00)	250.00
Deputy Registrars (Expense Reimbursement 25, 10 Nights @ $2.00)	500.00
Food For Volunteers	500.00
Church Program	500.00
Neighborhood Offices (4)	500.00
Telephone	200.00
Sound Truck	200.00
Clerical Help (4X$35/week X 8 weeks)	1,000.00
Postage	500.00
Printing	700.00
Total	$6, 600.00

SOURCES OF BUDGET

Request From VEP	$3,500.00
Raise Locally	1,100.00
Request From COPE	2,000.00
	$6,600.00

P. S.- VI. Our efforts will also include the Fulton County townships of College Park, East Point, Fairburn and Union City.

MEMORANDUM September 18, 1964

To: Leslie W. Dunbar

From: Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.

Re: The All-Citizens Registration Committee -- VEP

The All-Citizens Registration Committee, a non-partisan organization comprising the major civic, politically and religious organizations in the Negro community, was organized in 1946, in response to the abolition of the white primary by the federal courts. Dr. C. A. Bacote was the first chairman of ACRC and he served from 1946 to 1957. Mr. Jesse Hill, Jr., succeeded Dr. Bacote and has remained chairman since that time, though in April 1962 Dr. Bacote was selected to share the chairmanship with Mr. Hill. Despite the dual chairmanship, ACRC has been and is under the singular direction of Mr. Jesse Hill, Jr.

On April 5, 1962, ACRC conferred with Wiley Branton on the availability of funds from VEP. WB invited a representative from every civil rights organization working in Atlanta to a meeting in the VEP offices to discuss voter registration in Atlanta and the implementation of same through ACRC. All of the invited groups were represented and they evidenced their preference; that ACRC was the proper group for a VEP-sponsored voter registration drive. ACRC, therefore, from its initial relationships with VEP was "truly a joint effort," with NAACP, SCLC, SNCC, NVL, and the Atlanta Negro Voters League, working through ACRC. VEP on April 12, made its first grant to ACRC in the amount of $2,000.00 for voter registration work in the Atlanta area. ACRC was already at work to get persons registered by a May 5 deadline.

This initial ACRC campaign with VEP sponsorship had three main targets: (1) high school students just reaching the voting age of 18 years; (2) citizens in compact housing areas and public housing projects with intensive door-to-door effects; and (3) courthouse for taxes and tags, and other business). This program resulted in an increase of approximately 5,000 new registered voters.

In early May, ACRC, through its chairman Jesse Hill, Jr., put a $2,150.00 proposal before VEP for a "Get Out and Vote" campaign and Voter Education work in Fulton County. VEP denied the request, suggesting that ACRC should be in a position to raise funds locally to carry on post-campaign efforts.

The next ACRC proposal to VEP was made February 14, 1963, requesting a grant of $1,840.00 for an Advance Voter Registmtion Drive. The proposal set out four objectives:

(1) Registration of high school students

(2) Special effort to save Negro voters from the pending 15,500 county purge list before April 1, 1963

(3) A daily "Courthouse Coverage Team" of at least twenty people from March 1 to April 1, eight hours per day

(4) Acquiring of all data processing material and records of all registered voters in the county.

VEP made the grant to ACRC as requested for a period beginning on February 27, 1963 and ending April 1, 1963. VEP approved the first three objectives as set out in the proposal.

The results of this drive are as follows:

Courthouse Coverage	1,388
High School Students	1,042
Reinstatements from Purge List	275
Increase in Atlanta, Ward XX	340
Total Voter Increase	3,045

On April 19, 1963, ACRC submitted to VEP a $9,780.00 proposed budget for a comprehensive Atlanta-Fulton County Voter Registration Campaign to run from April 1 to June 15. The plan called for:

(1) A campaign Field Director with assistants who together would direct the voter registration program in five sections of the city

(2) An office in each section, staffed with a full-time secretary, and equipped with a telephone

(3) Gas and oil

(4) Transportation

(5) Printing, publicity

(6) Materials and supplies.

In addition to the proposed amount from VEP, ACRC anticipated the following contributions to the program:

SCLC	$1,500.00
Atlanta Negro Voters League	500.00
Atlanta Branch, NAACP	500.00
Contributions	2,000.00
Total:	$4,500.00

ACRC had launched its comprehensive voter registration program on April 1, without any confirmation of VEP support. The area offices were set up and the program implemented.

VEP acknowledged receipt of the proposal for the comprehensive campaign and made it perfectly clear that "VEP cannot consider any budget for any phase of your program which has already been conducted and, therefore, any grant which we might make would have to be for a period from and after the date of approval by VEP." WB indicated that he would review the comprehensive proposal upon receipt of a detailed report of the Advance Campaign.

On May 1, ACRC reported the results of the Advance Campaign and reviewed its request for consideration of the Comprehensive Campaign proposal, assenting that because of lack of funds the program had been delayed to almost a standstill.

VEP made a $1,000 supplemental grant to ACRC on May 2. On May 28, ACRC reported that it had "laid the foundation for

the biggest and most widespread voter registration drive in the history of this city." That they had moved into the phase of actually taking persons to the courthouse from several selected sections of the city and had developed sound comprehensive city and county-wide organization. ACRC asked an additional grant of $1,000 on the grounds of financial crisis.

VEP made the $1,000 grant on May 30. WB re-emphasized that VEP is a research project, studying the various methods and techniques being used by agencies in stimulating voter registration. WB stressed the need for reports, data, and information.

The file shows programs conducted in the various communities by community leaders. These programs consisted of speeches by leading ministers and citizens. Among them were Rev. H. I. Bearden; John Calhoun; Robert A. Thompson; Jesse Hill, Jr.; Harold Arnold; and others. Office-holders such as James Mackay, Aldermen Knight and Turner, LeRoy Johnson and others were featured speakers at many of the community programs. The film, "Knock on Every Door," was used in each area.

In addition, there was an intensive campaign in the housing projects to increase registration. ACRC worked through the Project Managers and Tenant Associations to stimulate interest. The work here included block canvassing and unit or building canvassing. A special Citizenship Award Sticker for the home window and the family car was awarded families with 100% registration. Telephone, transportation, and canvassing committees worked in each housing project under a Housing Project Registration Committee.

Block and area workers followed a set of instructions, including a list of the Do's and Don'ts. Each had a "Suggested Approach" sheet to guide him in door-to-door contacts. Periodic meeting of area leaders were held at B. B. Beamon's for an exchange of ideas and sharing of problems.

Rev. Fred C. Bennette, an SCLC staff member on loan to ACRC as director of the campaign, reported these results to VEP on June 25:

New Registrants --

April 1 to June 1	1,800	Fulton County
	114	DeKalb County
June 1 to June 25	1,100	

VEP made a supplemental grant of $1,555 on June 28 to continue its support of the ACRC comprehensive program. It should be noted here that VEP never approved the proposed grant of $9,780.00, but instead made supplemental grants from time-to-time to the program.

Following a conference in the VEP office July 22, ACRC submitted a proposed budget to VEP of $15,082.50 for a registration program to run from July 25 to November 27. The proposal called for two assistant field directors, two secretaries for the main office, and five secretaries for the unit or area offices, and office rent. The proposal showed that Rev. Bennette's salary as director was paid for by SCLC as well as an expense allowance of $25.00 per week.

VEP responded to the proposal on July 30 with a supplemental grant of $1,000 for continuation of the then existing program and withheld a decision on the entire grant. Another supplemental grant of $1,000 was made on August 12. WB again stressed reporting and made suggestions concerning the courthouse canvassing.

SNCC submitted a proposal for registration programs in Southeast Atlanta calling for a budget of $3,365.00. The request was denied, after much discussion and a meeting with ACRC, SNCC, and leaders in the Southeast area.

WB, in a letter of September 18, expressed his favorable impression of a ACRC leadership meeting at Beamon's the previous evening. WB reminded Jesse Hill that VEP had given ACRC $7,395.00 since February 27, 1963. A supplementary grant of $1,000 was made to ACRC because of a depletion of funds and ACRC was about to move into night registration. Another $1,000 supplemental grant was made on October 10.

ACRC co-sponsored the Hungry Club session of October 16, where Mr. Samuel Simmons of the Civil Rights Commission was guest speaker. Jesse Hill made remarks here concerning ACRC's program.

A proposal calling for a grant of $2,993.00 to conduct a registration program from November 12 to December 21 was submitted by ACRC. The proposal stated that, "We now have our long requested night registration on Friday night." It should be noted here that ACRC had for some time prior to this time strongly advocated and pushed for night registration. The Atlanta Journal supported ACRC editorially, saying that night registration ought be given a try.

This budget was to support the 16 community units organized by ACRC throughout Fulton and DeKalb Counties, 6 to 10 SNCC field workers, publicity, printing, postage, handbills, etc.

In response to ACRC's letter, WB indicated that on the same day he had received a $5,625.00 budget from SNCC to help in ACRC's crash program while night registration was in effect.

WB expressed disappointment over the manner in which the SNCC and ACRC requests had come to VEP. "They tell us nothing other than the amount of money each agency wants VEP to give them." WB then set out the information VEP wanted as follows:

(1) What method or approach will be used to get people to register during the day and what special effort will be involved to get a heavy turnout for night registration?

(2) What assistance will SNCC give and how will they work with your existing organisation?

(3) Will SNCC work only in southeast Atlanta or throughout the city?

(4) With the exception of staff salaries for SNCC workers, what financial assistance will SNCC need which cannot be provided for in your overall budget?

(5) What individual will serve as the overall coordinator or director of your project?

(6) What methods will be used to ascertain the number of new registrants at both the daily registration and the special night registration?

WB suggested meeting between Jim Foreman and Jesse Hill to ascertain the above information and also to "submit a revised budget and a more meaningful one." In the interim, VEP made a $1,000 supplemental grant. In addition, WB raised with Hill and Foreman a budget item calling for $350 for a big luncheon for ministers to solicit their support, and made clear his opposition to such an expenditure. In lieu of the luncheon, WB suggested personal solicitation and a meeting with Operation Breadbasket.

Finally, WB told ACRC and SNCC that there would be no further grant for voter registration in Atlanta until the information requested had been submitted to VEP.

ACRC responded to WB's letter and answered each of his inquiries item by item.

"Operation Ballot Box" was initiated by ACRC. The various ministerial groups cooperated by passing resolutions urging community participation in the registration program. The ministers pledged their support in this effort as "a living memorial and tribute to JFK." Rev. M. L. King, Sr., and Rev. J. A. Middleton were appointed co-chairmen of "Operation Ballot Box." The night registration had editorial urging of the Atlanta Daily World.

On December 19, VEP made a final 1963 supplemental grant of $1,000 to ACRC in response to ACRC letter containing information previously requested. ACRC was instructed to "freeze any funds not needed to take care of accrued expenses and any balance remaining in your account will be taken into consideration on your 1964 program." Total VEP grants to ACRC for 1963 was $11,395.00.

In early 1964 the Atlanta Summit Leadership Conference asked SCLC to conduct a city-wide registration campaign through the closing of the books in early May. SCLC coordinated this drive through ACRC.

ACRC by this time had succeeded in getting neighborhood registration and the appointment of Deputy Registrars to work in the neighborhood registration program.

SCLC submitted a proposal calling for a $12,200 budget. The campaign scheduled was to run from March 1 to May 2. The proposal requested $6,000 from VEP, promised a $3,000 contribution from SCLC, and hoped for a $3,200 contribution from Atlanta business and professional people. In addition, SCLC was to provide staff to conduct the campaign and give guidance to volunteer workers.

VEP made a tentative $4,000 grant to SCLC for the Atlanta program with the understanding that ACRC and SCLC would be cooperating in the campaign. Responsibility for financial and progress reporting, as required by VEP, was given SCLC. Supervision of the project and delegation of responsibility was to be shared by Jesse Hill and Andy Young.

In the grant letter, WB stressed the importance of the Negro community joining other metropolitan areas in the South in making financial contributions to voter registration. Payment of the balance of the tentative grant was made conditional upon participation by the local community in financial contributions.

WB restricted the use of the grant, providing that no part of it could be used for the payment of meals, food service, or payment for the deputy registrars.

On April 13, VEP made a supplemental grant of $1,000 to the Atlanta program. In making the grant WB related that preliminary reports showed that financial contributions by SCLC and the local community had not been what was expected. He also noted the good results from the neighborhood programs. Final payment on the $4,000 grant was made on April 23, though an additional $400 grant was made on May 6.

In early July, ACRC submitted two proposals to VEP. The first requested a grant of $3,500 for a crash program of voter registration from July through September 15. The basis for this proposal stemmed from the enactment of a new Election Code in Georgia which provides that registration books are closed only 50 days prior to the election. This extended the book closing date for the primary to July 20 and until September 14 for the general election. ACRC wanted to take advantage of these extended deadlines by launching a crash drive.

ACRC contemplated the use of the deputy registrars as volunteer workers and leaders in the crash program as a result of the experiences on the neighborhood registration programs. With the primary and general elections pending, it was hoped that these would be an added incentive to prospective voters.

The second proposal called for a grant of $4,293.00 for an educational program for Atlanta and Fulton County. The prupose of the educational program was "to familiarize the new voting machine, the signing of the application for ballot, and the reading of the maching itself once inside to vote.

Further, the program called for instruction on the current ballot and the positions to be voted on, instruction as to why the primary and the general elections that were forthcoming, direct confrontation with persons from every branch of government, and explanations of the duties of their offices.

Programs were to be scheduled for different sections of the city. Direct mailings to new voters from the list, made during neighborhood and other registration campaigns, constituted one method of getting in touch with the prospective participants. Advertisement via radio, TV, handbills, and sound trucks was proposed.

VEP made a preliminary grant of $1,500 to ACRC to start a voter education and registration program in Fulton County. The program was put under the general supervision and direction of Mrs. Ella M. Brayboy. Mrs. Brayboy was charged with responsibility for day-to-day decisions regarding the project and no funds could be expended without her prior approval.

WB told ACRC that as soon as approval came for neighborhood registration, VEP would consider a supplemental grant for the crash registration program.

A supplemental grant to the educational program was conditioned upon the success of the program.

VEP made a supplemental grant of $1,500 to the educational program of ACRC, WB noted his pleasure at seeing hundreds of people at Tabernacle Baptist Church and commended ACRC for the worthwhile program.

Presiding at the Tabernacle meeting of August 4 was Attorney Donald L. Hollowell. Mr. Hollowell served as moderator for most of the educational programs. Also present were such politicians as Alderman Richard Freeman, Alderman Cecile Turner, Senator LeRoy Johnson, Attorney Horace Ward, and several others. In addition, non-elective public officials such as the Chief of Police, Chief Registrar, and the General Manager of Parks for the city explained the operation and duties of their offices. WB was introduced and spoke on behalf of VEP.

During the height of the educational programs, ACRC requested a supplemental grant, and additional $500.00 was given. In a letter accompanying the grant VJ pointed out that "the grant is made with some hesitancy due to the fact that our requirements of financial reporting and compilation of research data have not exactly been complied with."

VEP made a final supplemental on August 26 to the educational program of $800.00 bringing the total to $4,300. WB said to ACRC that this amount was as much as VEP would want to put in a strictly voter education program at this time.

ACRC submitted a proposal for a crash voter registration program from August 31 through September 14. A budget of $2,100 accompanied the proposal. ACRC was unsuccessful in securing neighborhood registration and, therefore, planned a program to secure maximum results, figuring heavily on incentive from the primary and general election.

The campaign was to be centered on the Public Housing Projects and private apartment areas, where door-to-door canvassing is facilitated.

A certified list of canvassers from all sections of town were paid .25 per person canvassed and actually taken into the courthouse to register. A new method of reaching unregistered voters was employed by having school children all over the city to take letters to their parents.

VEP made the grant of $2,100 to ACRC. The prggram is reported to have netted 1,350 new registrants.

ACRC had approximately $800 left at the conclusion of the Crash Program which is to be returned to VEP.

Schedule of VEP GRants to:
The All-Citizens Registration
Committee

DATE	AMOUNT
4/12/62	$ 2,000
5/15/62	1,600
2/27/63	1,840
5/2/63	1,000
5/30/63	1,000
6/28/63	1,555
7/30/63	1,000
8/12/63	1,000
9/18/63	1,000
10/10/63	1,000
11/14/63	1,000
12/19/63	1,000
6/3/64	50.00
7/7/64	1,500
8/4/64	1,500
8/18/64	500
8/26/64	800
8/29/64	2,100
	$ 21,445.00

GRANTS TO SCLC - - FOR ATLANTA VOTER REGISTRATION

IN COOPERATION WITH ACRC

March 20, 1964	$2,000.00
April 3, "	205.00
April 13, "	1,000.00
April 23, "	1,000.00
May 6, "	400.00
	$ 4,606.00

Adjustment from All-Citizens Registration Committee to SCLC in the amount of $205.00

TOTAL ---------- $4,810.00

R E S U L T S

April 12 - May 5 - 1962	5,000 approximately
February 27 - April 1, 1963	3,045
April 1 - June 1, 1963	1,914
June 1 - June 25, 1963	1,100
June 25, 1963 - March 1, 1964	3,000
March 1 - May 2, 1964	10,000 approximately
August 31, September 14, 1964	1,350
TOTAL ----------	25,409

NOTE: It is noted here that an almost equal amount of money was spent in Birmingham and Jefferson Counties - $25,299.26.

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
5 FORSYTH STREET, N.W., ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

WB
JBM

September 21, 1964

Mr. Joseph Haas
1116 First National Bank Building
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Joe:

As you may have heard I have been away from the office for the last two weeks. This has delayed inexcusably our response to your telephone call of September 3.

I have in the meantime, however, carefully checked into the two charges which you raised, as you said they had been communicated to you by Mrs. Hamilton:

(1) That Mr. Jesse Hill, chairman of the Atlanta All-Citizens Registration Committee, was actively engaged in partisan politics;

(2) That Mr. Donald Hollowell, a candidate, was presiding at voter education meetings financed by VEP. These meetings were for the purpose of instructing new registrants in the duties of the offices for which they would vote, the use of the voting machines, etc.

Mr. Hill is not an officer of any of the Atlanta political clubs. I am sure he has worked privately

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for and against candidates. But the basic fact is that the All-Citizens Registration Committee is, as you probably know, a long lived organization which combines all groups, factions, parties, etc., of the Negro community into one concerted, non-partisan registration effort. It elects its own officers. Mr. Hill has his position because of the trust he enjoys, and I find it hard to believe that he would be condinued in that position if he were widely regarded as a partisan figure. For our part, to work in Atlanta means to work through the ACRC: there is no sensible alternative, nor would we want one. It would be presumptious folly for us to interfere in the leadership of ACRC on the grounds of alleged partisanship, when that leadership has the working confidence of every responsible group in the city, both Democratic and Republican.

As I acknowledged to you over the telephone, I had already learned about Mr. Hollowell presiding at the education meetings, and was unhappy about it. He did so, however, not as a candidate, but at the request of ACRC. I have made a number of inquiries of persons who attended this series of meetings, and have been invariably informed that Mr. Hollowell presided without reference to his own candidacy and in a thoroughly impartial manner. Had this not been so, I am inclined to think we would have received complaints from other sources; not a single complaint was received by me, or Mr. Branton, or Mr. Jordan despite the fact that Mr. Hollowell's candidacy was the subject of bitter controversy within the Negro community. You might, if you wish, inquire about the conduct of these meetings of your associate, Mr. Freeman, who I learn participated in one. Nevertheless, I agree with you that a candidate, whatever his other offices or whatever his personal attributes, should not have presided.

I regard this, however, as, relatively, a rather small thing.

We have administered a very large program in the Atlanta area, a program which in little more than two years has added more than 25,000 Negro

registrants in Fulton County and kept several thousand others from being purged. I have had prepared a memorandum which describes this program in some detail. I believe the criticism regarding this one occurrence -- of Mr. Hollowell's presiding -- should fairly be viewed in the context and the perspective of this whole effort. As I said to you when we talked, it is difficult if not impossible for VEP to scrutinize and pass upon the program plans for every meeting across the South with which VEP money may be connected.

I am now back in the office and will call you soon. If this letter and the enclosed memorandum do not thoroughly dispel your concern, I believe we should put this Atlanta matter on the agenda of the Executive Committee meeting of September 30.

Sincerely yours,

Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director

LWD/mmj
cc: Mr. John Wheeler
Dr. Raymond M. Wheeler
Mrs. Grace T. Hamilton
Mr. Wiley A. Branton

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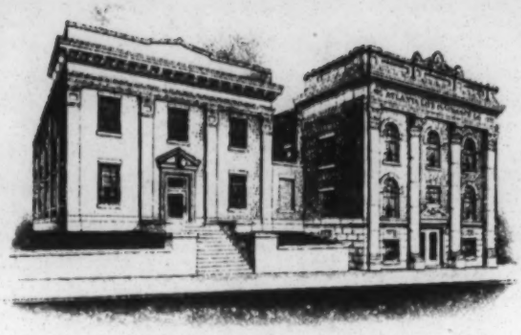

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P. O. BOX 897

ATLANTA 1, GEORGIA

September 22, 1964

SEP 23 1964

Attorney Wiley Branton, Director
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Branton:

We are submitting herewith our supplementing financial report on our Special Two-Week Voter Registration Grant of $2100.00. Under our preliminary report of September 14, 1964, we gave accounting for disbursement checks #701 through #717.

Balance Brought Forward $701.19

Disbursements

Check No.	Payee	Amount	
718	Econo-Car of Ga. (Rental of Station Wagons	$162.89	
719	Mr. Bryant, Manager Red Top Cab Service	10.94	
720	Mr. George W. Dodd	118.75	
		$292.58	
721	Voter Education Project	400.00	692.58
	Balance		8.61
	Cash to be accounted for under Checks #701 (6.72) and #708 (15.10)		21.81
			$ 30.42

to LHA on 9/23

We will hold small balance and petty cash balances of checks #701 and #708 for unanticipated bills and expenses for the two week period that may come to our attention within the next few days.

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Sincerely yours,

Jesse Hill, Jr.
Chairman-All Citizens Registration Comm.

September 23, 1964

MEMORANDUM

To: Ruth House Alexander

From: Wiley A. Branton

The attached check in the amount of $400, made payable to the Voter Education Project represents a refund from the All Citizens Registration Committee for the VEP 4-28 program.

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October 2, 1964

Mr. Jesse Hill, Jr., Chairman
All Citizens Registration Committee
Atlanta Life Insurance Company
148 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Hill:

This will confirm our telephone conversation of this date in which I informed you that VEP will not be in a position to approve a grant in support of your September 22, 1964 budget for an educational and get-out-the-vote campaign in Greater Atlanta.

I am personally aware of the great need for voter education in the Atlanta community, particulary for new registrants. And the recent primary elections should urge all organizations to increase their interest in urging voters to go to the poll on November 3.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

WAB:bs

WB

Jesse Hill, Jr., [redacted]
Chairman

ALL-CITIZENS
REGISTRATION COMMITTEE

236 AUBURN AVENUE, NORTHEAST
ROOM 211 ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA JACKSON 1-3928

September 22, 1964

SEP 23 1964

Attorney Wiley Branton, Director
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Branton:

The purpose of this letter is to request your consideration of an educational and get out the vote campaign for the City of Metropolitan Atlanta (Fulton and DeKalb counties). There are approximately 66,000 Negro Registered Voters in Fulton County and the Second Ward of Atlanta located in DeKalb County. We feel it extremely important that every voter vote in the General Election. We suggest that the following special steering committee be set up to help supervise and execute this program:

Mr. Jesse Hill, Jr., Chairman-All-Citizens Registration Comm.
Mr. Otelius Shelman - Far Northwest
Mrs. Ella Mae Brayboy - Middlewest-Secretary Committee
Mrs. Johnnie Brown - East Atlanta-DeKalb Area
Rev. Fred C. Bennett - Townships of Fulton County and Vice Chairman
Benny T. Smith - Southside and Vice Chairman
Mr. E. J. Shepherd - Northeast
Miss Christine Hurt - Northeast
Dr. C. Miles Smith - President, NAACP
Mr. Nathaniel Arnold - Director, Atlanta Urban League
Rev. John A. Middleton - President, SCLC

Enclosed herewith is a Proposed Budget and Outline of the Proposal. We suggest the dates of October 5th-November 3rd or October 12th to November 3rd.

Respectfully submitted,

Jesse Hill, Jr.
Chairman-All-Citizens Registration Comm.

JHJr:b
Enclosure

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A VOTELESS PEOPLE IS A HELPLESS PEOPLE

ALL-CITIZENS
REGISTRATION COMMITTEE
334 AUBURN AVENUE, NORTHEAST
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303 - TELEPHONE JACKSON 4-1370

"Special Education and Get Out Vote Campaign"

During the next 5 weeks there will be increased partisan political activity in the community. However, we feel that there is a great need for additional non-partisan education and a door to door "get out the vote campaign." Most of the regular voter registration workers will be involved in partisan efforts. We therefore propose the wide and massive use of college and high school students; and a careful and thorough use of the "Child Letter to Parents Project" for the general election and voter education.

ALL-CITIZENS
REGISTRATION COMMITTEE
334 AUBURN AVENUE, NORTHEAST
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303 - TELEPHONE JACKSON 4-1370

September 22, 1964

PROPOSED BUDGET

October 5th - November 3rd

			Amount
1.	Coordinator or Coordinators to be discussed-undetermined		?
2.	Expense of $1.25 for Each College and High School Student Participating		$1250.00
3.	"Child Letter to Parents"		
	Printing	400.00	
	Delivery and Collection	100.00	
	Processing and Analyzing	200.00	700.00
4.	Postage		250.00
5.	Transportation of Students to Special Areas		350.00
6.	Office Rent - 3 offices		150.00
7.	Telephone - 3 offices		154.50
8.	Office Clerical Help - 3 offices		300.00
9.	Publicity		
	Newspaper		300.00
	Sound Truck		125.00
10.	Printing and Supplies		500.00
			$4079.50

FINANCIAL

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October 5, 1964

Mr. Jesse Hill, Jr., Chairman
All Citizens Registration Committee
Atlanta Life Insurance Company
148 Auburn Avenue, N. E
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

RE: VEP 4-28

Dear Hesse:

It appears that the All Citizens Registration Committee owes us accounting in the amount of $195.29, resulting from the grants made to you for voter education and crash registration programs. $125 of this amount represents accounting due for petty cash advances to Rev. Fred Bennette, as we do not accept into our books any checks for petty cash until it has been accounted for. The other $70.29 is probably still in your bank account, and you should send us a check for any funds remaining on hand so that we can close our books on this account.

Very truly yours,

Wiley A. Branton

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VOUCHER

Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street, N. W., Room 206
Atlanta 3, Georgia

Organization All-Citizens Registration Committee Field Reporter Fred Bennette

City Atlanta County Fulton State Georgia Date ~~October 16th~~

Amount of this expenditure $ 125.00

Specific item description:

Fred Bennette

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(Voter Education-Registration Project)

NAME Mildred Campbell

ADDRESS 150 Bell St. S.E. #315

CITY (County) Atlanta Fulton STATE Georgia

TYPE OF WORK PERFORMED Block work & Secretary work

PAYMENT $ 25.00

RECEIVED BY Mildred Campbell

DATE

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NAME Rev Charles E. Wells Sr

ADDRESS 641 Beckwith St SW.

CITY (County) Atlanta (Fulton STATE Georgia

TYPE OF WORK PERFORMED Recruiting Block worker.

PAYMENT $ 25.00

RECEIVED BY Charles E. Wells Sr

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(Voter Education-Registration Project)

NAME Mrs. Mildred Campbell

ADDRESS 150 Bell St. SE. # 315

CITY (County) Atlanta (Fulton) STATE Georgia

TYPE OF WORK PERFORMED Recruiting & Block worker.

PAYMENT $ 25.00

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(Voter Education-Registration Project)

NAME John Parks

ADDRESS 334 Auburn Ave N.E.

CITY (County) Atlanta (Fulton) STATE Georgia

TYPE OF WORK PERFORMED Canvassing N.E. Area City And Driving Car

PAYMENT $ 25.00

RECEIVED BY John Parks

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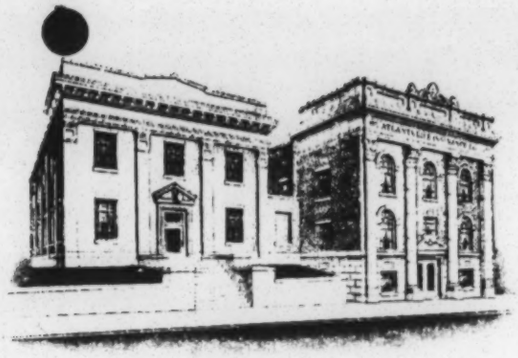

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ATLANTA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY
P. O. BOX 897
ATLANTA 1, GEORGIA

October 29, 1964

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Atty. Wiley A. Branton, Project Director
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Branton:

I have enclosed herewith check #724 in the amount of $70.29 as requested. I have indicated to Rev. Bennett in firm and strong terms the urgency for an accounting of petty cash checks. If he does not provide proper vouchers, I will assume personal liability and settle accordingly no later than Monday, November 2, 1964.

Very truly yours,

Jesse Hill, Jr.

JHJr:b:encl.

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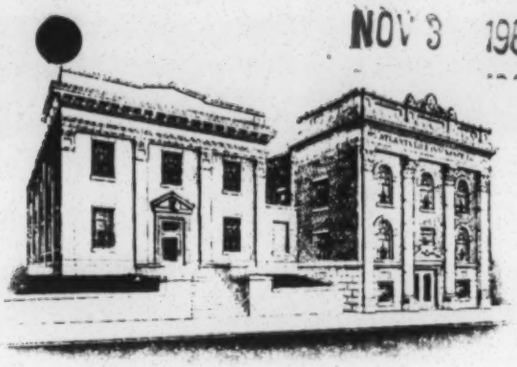

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November 2, 1964

Atty. Wiley A. Branton, Project Director
Voter Education Project
5 Forsyth Street, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Branton:

I received the enclosed vouchers from Rev. F. C. Bennett today. In investigating the payees, I find that Mrs. Mildred Campbell lives at 150 Bell Street, S. E., and John Parks lives at an undetermined Wabash Avenue address.

Very truly yours,

Jesse Hill

Jesse Hill, Jr.
Actuary

JHJr:bl Enclosures

Vouchers in storage envelopes

VEP 4-28

WB

November 6, 1964

M E M O R AN DU M

TO: Wiley A. Branton
FROM: Jean Levine
RE: Final Accounting VEP 4-28
(All Citizens Registration Committee of Atlanta)

Grants:		$6,400.00
Expenditures:		less refund
Adv. Print. & Prom.	$1,848.99	
Fix. & Equip.	9.53	
Meals	22.00	
Office Rent	220.00	
Office Supplies	333.90	
Postage	456.50	
Salaries	2070.79	
Trav. & Trans.	843.00	
County Voters List	125.00	
Refund to VEP	470.29	6,400.00

JL

Johnson, Ward, Hollowell To Address Meeting

Atlanta's three Democratic primary candidates are scheduled to speak Thursday night, August 20, in a meeting set for Roosevelt Hall, 668 Fair St., S. W., starting at 8 p. m.

The meeting is sponsored by the Ebanites, an organization of junior voters, directed by Mrs. Irma Williams and the Tenant Association, whose president is Mrs. Robert L. Pye of University - John Hope Homes.

Speakers will be State Sen. Leroy R. Johnson, seeking re - nomination from the 38th district in the Democratic Primary of Sept. 9; Attorney Horace T. Ward, seeking nomination to the state senate from the 39th district; and Attorney Donald L. Hollowell, a candidate for nomination to the Fulton Superior Judgeship now held by Judge Durwood Pye.

-:- A PROJECT OF -:-

ALL - CITIZENS REGISTRATION COMMITTEE

236 AUBURN AVENUE, N. E.

Phones: 521-3928 or 522-1420

Dear Parent (s),

I am not old enough to vote, but you are. Please register and vote for our family. On November 3rd people will choose between Pres. Johnson and Sen. Goldwater, this is said to be the most important election in history for Negroes.

Please complete the form below so that I can return it to school.

You can register to vote Monday through Saturday from 8:30 A. M. to 5:00 P. M. at the Fulton County Courthouse. The All-Citizens Registration Committee, Jesse Hill, Jr., Chairman, will provide you free transportation.

The deadline for registering is September 14th, the last Saturday is September 12th.

Love Your Child

P. S.—Be sure to go out and VOTE Sept. 9th if you are already registered.

Please complete without delay and let your son or daughter return it to school immediately.

Many names have been dropped or purged from the voter list during the past two years some 15,000 Negroes have been dropped. Play it safe go Register to Vote.

PARENTS

NAME .....

ADDRESS ..... PHONE .....

( )—1. We (I) are sure that we are all registered voters.

( )—2. We would like to play it safe and go to the Courthouse to make sure.

( )—3. We would like to have free transportation to the Courthouse.

( )—4. We would like to go register, Day of Week .....
Time of Day .....

( )—5. We will urge our friends and neighbors to also go to register.

( )—6. We would like to volunteer to help get others registered before September 14th.

I Publicity

A. Contact with Organizations i.e. Social, Political business, labor etc.

Contact was made with all Social Clubs. Ministers Community Clubs, Civic organizations P.T.A. throughout the city.

1. Social Clubs
No cooperation worth mentioning.

2. Community Clubs: Y.M.C.A workers, Students College and High school
Cooperated to a certain degree in some sections of the City, for example the Simpson Rd West Side and Chappelle Rd area. "The Know Your Neighbor" Club had the first meeting on the Westside for Registration. West Side Civic League produced some leadership in the area surrounded by English Ave. School.

3. Civic Organizations
In the Southeast section, Southwest, South Northwest sections Civic organizations played the leading role in Registration.

4. P.T.A.

All over the city was a main source of canvassers. P.T.A. was more effective in the stable areas. In some areas not effective at all.

5. Political
In one area a Political figure showed some leadership (Republican)

6. Business

Received cooperation on the use of telephones for telephone committee. Transportation in Northeast section from ~~to~~ cab companies. Funeral directors also financial contributions.

7. Labor

Received financial contribution and active participation from one or two members of Garment workers union. Financial contribution came from the Laundry workers local.

B. Use of Churches

1. Cooperation of the ministers were solicited by letters telephone calls, direct contacts.

A form letter was sent to every minister throughout the city asking for a direct commitment to the program in the form of a Registration committee in each church to work in the church and the community around the church.

Some ministers cooperated on making announcements distribution of handbills at church also with financial contribution from church. Churches were also used as pickup stations, some churches had a Registration office located in their building. On a whole church participation was not up to what it should have been

Some of the churches were used for the workshop meeting. The largest attendance at a workshop was Allen Temple Simpson and Westlake the attendance was about 60 or 75.

C. Advertisement and Articles in newspaper.

1. Articles

Articles were submitted to the Atlanta World and the Inquirer. At first the Atlanta World would not give front page coverage, but toward the end of the drive they did give front page coverage with a picture about twice. The best coverage was given by the Inquirer with pictures and feature stories.

2. Interest of Newspaper

1. At one school an Atlanta World Photographer was present (Howard), but on the whole articles had to be carried to the World.

Once a World reporter was at the Registrar's office soliciting information when some information was voluntarily given by Staff members. This was featured on the front page. The pick up stations were featured on the front page at the end of the drive, but this information had to be carried the office

D. Radio and Television time

1. There was just a few flashes on T.V.

2. Most of the messages was read from a copy of facts submitted to them on radio

3. Yes the image of the speaker was part of the message because the disc jockeys on W.S.B. W.E.R.D. and W.A.O.K. plugged or pushed Registration. There was a 30 minute program on W.E.R.D. conducted by Rev. Bennett that gave a lot of

2. Yes the people who showed enough interest to attend meetings were followed up.

a. Names are always taken at every meeting and followed up for participation in any way they would like to volunteer their services.

b. During the Registration drive the majority of the participants were recruited from the meetings especially the P.T.A people. The community Leaders or Section leaders already had their workers, students and community people. High school students were recruited from High schools in different areas.

B. Yes they were Y.M.C.A workers for canvassing, office work, door knocking telephoning and transportation. Some of workers also manned pick up stations. High school College students, P.T.A. and community workers did canvassing. P.T.A presidents served as coordinators of areas around their respective schools. The P.T.A was to help the Section leaders get the job of canvassing done. Some P.T.A were not effective in some communities. The High school students were mostly used for door knocking and parading. At one High School They were used as guides and telephone committee.

C. Maintenance of office.

1. Paid staff

1. Community coordinator and director of Registration was paid along with S.C.L.C staff

2 Volunteer services

P.T.A students, High School, College, Community people.

information on Voter Registration and interesting informative features of the drive.

4. Yes the majority of the time used was public service time.

E. Posters, Handbills Tags etc

Letters were drafted for students to carry home to Parents.

1. Sources of the posters was a dead of the Chairman Handbills were designed by the Chairman except the first set used in Turner Twp area was designed by one of the section leaders Mrs Brayton who also wrote the church announcements for the Turner Twp West Fulton area. Mrs Yancey remodeled the canvass sheets for benefit of P.T.A. workers. Instruction sheets were drew up by Mrs Yancey and name plates.

2. Handbills were distributed by canvassers in some areas and by professional distributors in other areas. Some hand bills were distributed by volunteers at church and by L.C.L.C workers up town at the car stops.

II Methods and Techniques of Conducting Drive

A. Mass Meetings

1. The plan was for 3 types of meetings to be held in each section or area Leadership Meeting, and work shop meeting

The meetings were held mostly at churches or community centers in the evening around 8:0 clock.

2. The speakers were selected for informative purposes.

D. Door to Door Canvassing:

1. Areas around the school for the P.T.A. Section leaders had a given section to be responsible for.

2. Each Section leader was suppose to shows on a map the area that had been covered and the P.T.A was suppose to cover what had not been covered or go over where it had not been recently canvassed.

3. Canvassing was designed to select prospective registrants and inform them where the Registration would be held. and provide them with transportation if needed.

4. Canvassers were from all walks of Life and all volunteers mostly except the S.C.L.C workers.

5. They were suppose to get telephone numbers and addresses for follow ups. Hard core cases were referred to more experienced workers.

6. all canvassers were suppose to be orientated or recive instructional sheets. They were mostly motivated by being informed of their civic duties and things to be gained for the community.

E. Parades or demonstrations to stimulate interest

Each school had a parade with a band except one. A talent show at one school A revolving light, sound trucks

III The Registration Process

A. The attitude in the Registrar office was good on a whole.

B. Night Registration was attempted one year around Christmas time. It did not work out to well because the weather was bad, and the time of year was wrong.

C. Yes Neighborhood Registration became a reality and how

D. Usual Registration procedure only simplified a little more.

There were no outright cases of discrimination known.

E. There was no organized opposition know, only criticism, and no interest shown.

F. The day of the Crash program there was Car pools and bus transportation for different sections of the city arranged. All transportation was dispatched from one central ~~point~~ point. During Neighborhood Registration transportation was dispatched also from one point the school where Registration was held.

H. Efforts are being made to form Citizenship classes for people who need them. In some sections the need is greater than others. People trained by L.C.L.C at Dorchester will conduct the classes.

I. Not too much attention was given by the white Press. H. L. B. radio did a pretty good job of plugging Registration

IV Attitude of Public Officials toward the Drive

1. Registrars expressed appreciation of cooperation received from Community.

2. All comments were very favorable

3. It was an acknowledged fact that our neighborhood program was more of a success than ~~at~~ the one promoted in the white community.

V Results of the Drive

A. About 10,000

B. 56%

C. unknown

D. 1 plus S.C.L.C Staff

E. Yes also an increase in organization momentum is very high for Registration

VI No, but would use all community folk.

A ROSTER OF SOME LARGE PRIVATELY OWNED APARTMENT PROJECTS

WESTSIDE

1. Simpson Street - East of Drive-In at Sunset Avenue Jones	-	200	Units
2. Simpson Street - Near Ashby Street	about	100	"
3. Simpson Road - West of Herndon School-1075 Simpson Brooks		95	"
4. Simpson Road - Between Rwy. & Chapel Road	about -	500	"
5. Simpson Road - Between Chapel Rd. - West Lake Ave.	about -	250	" Mrs Robinson
6. Simpson Road - Between West Lake - Anderson Avenue	about -	100	"
7. Simpson Road - Between Anderson Ave.-Lincoln Cemetery	about -	100	"
8. Verbena Street - 2100 Block -	about -	252	" A. Jaqua
9. Anderson Avenue - Between Calloway Dr.-Simpson Rd. Brooks	about -	100	"
10. Anderson Avenue - Near Happy Haven Homes - Brooks	about -	95	"
11. West Lake Avenue - Aiken Apartments Moreland	about -	95	"
12. Bolton Road - South of Bankhead	about -	200	"
13. Gordon Road - Between Anderson Avenue - Hightower Rd. Moreland	about -	100	"
14. Gordon Road - West of Atlantic Coast Line Rwy.	about -	100	"
15. Gordon Road - 3787 Block	about -	100	"
16. Delmar Lane - South Side of Street Jones	about -	260	"
17. Perry Blvd. - South and North Sides of Street	about -	336	"
18. North Avenue - Between Northside Dr.-Ashby Street, NW	about -	200	"
19. Griffin Street - Between Magnolia -Thurmond Street	about -	20	"
TOTAL - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -		3390	

SOUTHSIDE

Pryor Road - Highpoint Apartments		450	"
Capital Avenue - Between Ga. Avenue - University Avenue	about -	100	"
TOTAL -		550	"

EAST ATLANTA

Seaboard Avenue - 1065 - 1069 -		78	Units

NORTHEAST ATLANTA

Angier Avenue - 300 Block	about -	100	"
Forrest Avenue - IRON Apartments - Hilliard Street	about -	50	"
Forrest Avenue - Between Boulevard and Railroad	about -	200	"
Boulevard - Between Johnson Avenue - Ponce de Leon Avenue	about -	500	"
TOTAL - - - - - - - - - - - -		850	"

GRAND TOTAL - - - - - - - - -

AL[illegible]ITIZEN REGISTRATION COMMITTEE
236 AUBURN AVE. NE
REGISTRATION CANVASS RECORD
PHONE 521-3928

DATE:_____

BUILDING OR STREET:_____ WARD OR SECTION_____ PRECINCT_____

NAME OF WORKER:_____ PHONE_____ ADDRESS_____

IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS

A: Be sure to leave one or two empty lines beneath each name so that additional names may be added during telephone survey.

B: BE sure to indicate in remarks column day and time persons can go to register. Keeping in mind registration hours -8:30-5:00 PM., Monday through Saturday.

C:
1. Needs transportation
2. Needs to transfer address
3. Needs application for absentee ballot
4. Not citizen
5. Is registered
6. Refuses to register
7. Moved
8. Married - must re-register
9. Not home - leave blank
10. Will register

HOUSE NUMBER	Name(please print)	TELEPHONE NUMBER	REMARKS (such as above)

Special Child Letter To Parent Project

In order to promote the Crash Voter Registration Project we distributed 59,500 letters (From School Child to Parent) to 51 elementary schools in Atlanta and Fulton County. Reflecting the overcrowded conditions of Negro Schools, all of the 17 elementary schools in Atlants with more than 1000 pupils are all-Negro schools. One school, Pitts, was listed with an enrollment of nearly 1800. All of these schools were built for less than 1000 students.

Of the some 59,500 letters distributed only about 6,000 parents completed the questionnaire portion at the bottom of the letter and returned them by their child. We estimate that there are about 1200 late returns at schools scattered throughout the city.

A breakdown of the replies show that about 3000 of the parents placed their names and addresses on the forms but did not complete the other questions.

The other questionnaire breakdown was as follows:

1. Some 408 persons agreed to be volunteers to help get others registered. During the brief time we were not able to organize these people.

2. Some 390 asked for transportation to go to register. We were able to track down and carry about 204 of these persons. We had difficulty rounding these people up in the short period of time. Many of them could not go during the day and the registrar's office was open only one night during the two week period.

We think this letter plan has great potential. We wish we had employed this survey during our long campaign period that lasted several months.

We also wish to point out that we feel much of the poor response as far as returns was due to the interest of the principal of the school and his teachers. One school, the Anderson Park School, with 1100 children returned approximately 500 replies, about 45%. We were so impressed we talked to Mr. William Banks the principal. He showed great interest and said that he stressed the project with his teachers as he does all important notices with his teachers. It is our plan to award the Anderson Park School with a plaque at the first PTA meeting of the school, Tuesday, October 13th at 7:30 PM.